



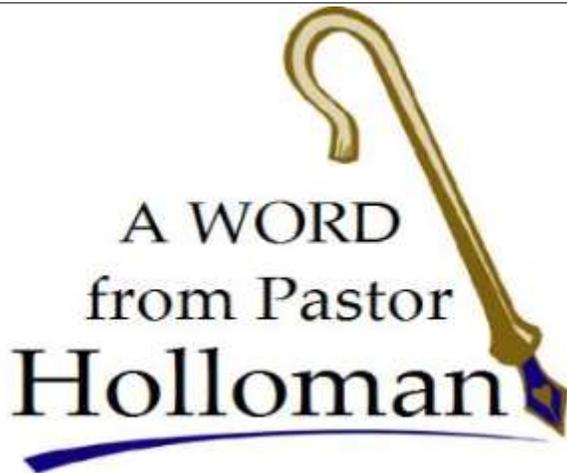
# The Vision

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



August 2017

Satellite Beach United Methodist Church



As we enter the end of summer, (as far as school is concerned) life seems to have a way of picking up its pace as it transitions from one season to the next. And for Marilyn and me, as we complete this transition to serve Satellite Beach, we are thankful for the love and support you all have shown us. We are sure the pace will begin to pick up for both of us as we settle into a new rhythm of life here. It has been a wonderful transition as we settle into the roles of serving Satellite Beach UMC.

Change is an interesting aspect of life. Heraclitus of Ephesus, who lived about 500 years before Christ, once said that the one constant in life is change. I think this is why people like the church not to change too much because for many years, the church was the one rock in an ever-changing world. To many, that constant worship and feel of church life was a source of peace when it felt like one was living in a raging storm being tossed to and fro.

But there have been changes in the life of the church. One of the great changes was by a man named Isaac Watts. In the early 1700's, he introduced a new type of song for the church and then helped this change become mainstream in England and the English-speaking world. His new type of congregational songs became the modern English hymns. Before Watts, metrical psalmody was the primary type of congregational song used in the worship services. This one change revolutionized the evangelistic meetings and camp meeting that would spring forth in the late 1700's and early 1800's.

There are things that have been a constant since the very beginning. The earliest use of the Apostle's Creed has been confirmed from at least the early 2<sup>nd</sup> Century, well before there was an established church. The form changed slightly after the church became legal, but remained pretty much intact. What I find fascinating about this is that when we say the Apostle's Creed in Church, we are saying what

Christians have proclaimed since the very beginning of walking with Christ. We are stating what we believe. To me it is one of those things that connect us down through the ages with those who walked before us.

What I find most fascinating about studying the church and its life is that God looks for something we tend to forget about. In the Old Testament, time and time again, the people focused on their acts of worship instead of the one they were called to worship. They worshiped as God said in Jeremiah, "Things made by the people's own hands."

In 1 Samuel, we read the prophet Samuel speaking to King Saul about the worship of God: "Does the Lord delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the voice of the Lord? To obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed is better than the fat of rams." (1 Sam 15:22) David would write in the Psalms after being confronted by his sin with Bathsheba: "You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it; you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise." (Ps 51:16-17)

I am constantly reminded in Scripture that God wants us to submit to His will and His ways, not ours. And God's greatest will is that God "wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth." (1 Timothy 2:4) This is probably why Paul wrote that he became all things to all people in hopes that some might be saved.

Our relationship with God through Christ is the most important thing we can have to make our lives whole in all we do. There will always be change in our lives and in the church, but the constant we have to remind ourselves of is that we belong to God and have been called to go and reach people for Christ. To do that is to go and build relationships with people as God has built a relationship with us through the sacrifice of his Son. It is making it about the other as William Booth, founder of the Salvation Army, once said. I hope that as we move forward as a church, we remember our call to go and to share the Gospel with all we come into contact with.

***Blessings and Peace***  
***Pastor Harry***



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, Ben Brown, \*Chuck Fischer, James E. Harris IV, \*Zach Heim, \*Bill Intille, Matthew Joubert, Tim Joubert, Sean Keane, Craig Lambert, Vance Lambert, Patrick Miller, Jeff Peppers, Justin Peppers, Andrew Peppers, 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, \*Charlotte Attridge, \*Bernhart family, \*Jim Butts, \*Michael Capozzi, \*Joe Cocchiarella, \*Nancy Conover, \*Floyd Denney, Tom & Jenny Dillon, Mar Ferrer, Richard Hascall, \*Charlie Heim, \*Emery Jones, \*Gloria Keys, James Kutcher, Ann Lachle, Lars Lofgren, \*Joyce Marks, James Miles, Ruth Miles, \*Shirley Pollak, Joan Powell, Kim Ruoff, \*Nolan Singletary, \*Velma Smith, \*Molly Sutherland, \*Jim Tate, \*Ace Taylor, Donna Taylor, \*Ginger Thoms, \*Mary Lou Tutt, Whitsell Family

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

*\*denotes church family*



### A Look At Our Faithfulness June 2017

	Month-to Date	Year to Date
Budget Required	\$ 42,268.00	\$ 274,742.00
Budget Received	\$ 39,647.52	\$ 288,059.29
Variance	(\$ 2,620.48)	\$ 13,317.29

#### Extra Mile Giving - Missions

Miscellaneous Missions	\$ 340.00
Children's Home	\$ 50.00
Croatia Mission	\$ 300.00
Thailand Mission	\$ 665.00
Good Samaritan	\$ 202.00
Cuba Missionaries	\$ 500.00
Cuba General Fund	\$ 622.00
UMCOR	\$ 777.00
Family Promise	\$ 195.00
<b>Total Missions</b>	<b>\$ 3,651.00</b>
<b>Fellowship Hall Upgrade</b>	<b>\$ 155.00</b>
<b>Capital Campaign</b>	<b>\$ 6,911.50</b>
<b>Capital Improvements</b>	<b>\$ 130.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 10,847.50</b>



Sympathies of the congregation are extended to the family of Ruth Lincoln who passed away July 1, 2017.

Sympathies of the congregation are extended to Ginger Thoms and family on the death of her husband, Bill on July 5, 2017.

Sympathies of the congregation are extended to the family of John Baker, who passed away on July 6, 2017.

Sympathies of the congregation are extended to Joyce Slosser on the death of her sister-in-law, Loretta Fay Heibel who passed away July 4, 2017 in Waverly, Ohio.

Sympathies of the congregation are extended to Gloria Mitchell and family on the death of her husband, Jewell on July 24, 2017.

A donation has been made in memory of:

#### Bill Thoms

by Ginger Thoms, and Jack & Ada Fields

#### John Baker

by Jack & Ada Fields

#### Don & Lil Moore's 60th wedding anniversary

by their children, Andrea, Beth and David

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 Dyann Wagner at 321-773-9889.

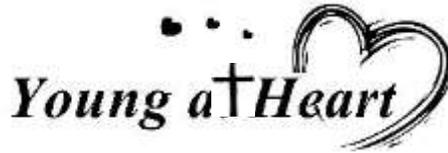


#### A Stephen Ministry Prayer

Merciful God, there are those in our midst who carry heavy burdens. Help us to be sensitive to those needs, reaching out to them with your love and compassion. Help us also to encourage those who are especially burdened to turn to our Pastor and Stephen Leaders, who can help them receive the individualized care they need.

# SENIOR NEWS

for the



**Georgia Garrett**

Beyond 50 Ministries - *ReFired Servants*

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

## August Calendar



### August

- 13 Ada Fields
- 15 Jim Tate, Kyle Henderson
- 24 Frank and Gwen Armitage (59 years)
- 25 Gwen Armitage
- 26 Pat Moyer
- 28 Olive Leonard,  
Peter & Myrtle Russell (52 years)
- 31 Linda Shah,  
Dr. Joe & Linda Jursa (44 years)

### "GO-GO"

### Activities for 55+



*I am moving our walking group for those who like to be on the "go." Due to the heat, we are now going to walk on Tuesday and Thursday evenings on the beach starting at 6:00 pm.*

*Now we are walking on Wednesday evenings at 8:30 pm to look for turtles. We will meet across from the Sunoco gas station on A1A at the park called S.P.R.A. If you need more information, please call the church office at 777-0116*

### LUNCH AND A MOVIE

The next *Lunch & a Movie* will be Tuesday, August 15. Lunch will be at 11:30 am at Beef O'Brady's. Afterwards we will meet at *The Rock* for a "surprise" movie." Please sign up in the office or call 777-0116 if you plan on attending this *Lunch & a Movie*.

### COCOA VILLAGE PLAYHOUSE

Our season at Cocoa Village Playhouse is as follows:

- Beauty and the Beast* on Saturday, September 23
- A Christmas Carol* on December 2
- 42nd Street* on February 3, 2018
- The Secret Garden* on March 10, 2018

We meet in the parking lot and the bus leaves at 12:45 pm. The plays are on Saturday at 2:00 pm. Dutch treat supper after the show, returning approximately 7:00 pm. Please mark your calendar. If you are on the permanent list and are not attending, please call Georgia at 321-773-5535 so that someone else can take your place.

### LAYCOCK BIBLE STUDY SERIES



### October 9-12, 2017

This fall we will again be traveling to Epworth by the Sea, St. Simons Island, Georgia. This will be the 9th year that we have taken a busload of folks to this beautiful place.

Evelyn Laycock, renowned Bible scholar, is bringing outstanding leadership to her annual Bible Study Series, *Creating a Symphony*. Bishop James E. Swanson, Sr will be preaching. Bishop Swanson was elected a bishop in the UM Church and assigned to the Knoxville Episcopal Area in June, 2004. He became resident bishop of the Mississippi Area in September, 2012.

Bishop Richard C. Looney will be doing the Bible Study. Bishop Looney was the 2014 Distinguished Evangelist of the United Methodist Church.

We will not be taking the church bus. Registration, housing and meal forms are available in the office. Reservations to go on this trip must be in my box by September 1. Please consider these opportunities to travel with us, and sign up in the church office if you would like to go.

*"Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."  
Matthew 5:16*

Georgia Garrett, Senior Ministry Director

### **FOCUS ON CUBA**

Progress is being made! One of Pastor Victor's projects, for which we raised the funds, is a seating area in the yard of the parsonage. Although he had the money, he has been unable to find the concrete. They have now built the wall, which will be the backdrop for the bench as soon as he's able to find & buy the steel! Little by little!



The Cuba Mission Team continues its training & preparations. Each member of the Team needs 2 suitcases & a backpack or other carry on. They will leave the suitcases there. If you have a backpack or a lightweight suitcase you can donate, we surely appreciate it!



Each member also needs to take the maximum allowed 20 lbs of over-the-counter medications. Please continue to bring in your contributions between now & mid-December. There is a collection box at the east entrance to the sanctuary & lists of the types of meds needed at each entrance. Meds must be new, sealed, unopened, & cannot expire before April 2018. The best "deals" are Sam's & BJ's store brands or Walmart Equate brand. If you prefer, you may donate money. Just mark your giving envelope "Cuba meds."

Gilbert's baby is showing some improvement, but she's very delicate. They still don't seem to have a good diagnosis. Cuban doctors are very good, but they have no equipment available to do any needed tests—MRI, CT scans, etc. Please keep your brothers & sisters in Cuba in your prayers.

*Marj Green, humguy32@me.com*

### **Music Ministry News**

Where has the summer gone? It seems time flies even faster the older I get! We are always recruiting new member for the Chancel Choir, so if you are looking for a place to share your voice in song and meet new friends, the Choir is for you. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings, 6:30 - 8:00 in the choir room.



It's hard to think about Christmas when the temperatures outside are in the 90's, but that's just the way it is as a church musician. This year's cantata will be "Nativity Suites" by Benjamin Harlan. We will begin cantata rehearsals on Wednesday, August 30, 7:30-8:30 in the choir room. For those of you who join us each year for this event, please mark your calendar. This is a beautiful cantata with the wondrous message of Christ's birth for our salvation.

Come join us as we make a joyful noise to the Lord!

*Sharon Maslin, Choir Director*

### **Miscellaneous Missions**

Many of you contribute regularly to missions using the Missions blank on your giving envelopes. All of these donations go into a Miscellaneous Missions budget line item which is administered by the Missions Committee. Much of this money is used to augment the congregational giving on projects such as clean water, disaster relief, and feeding the hungry. Some is used every year to support missionaries with ties to our church. Some is used when church projects need a little boost like a last minute family being added to the giving tree or as seed money for new missions initiatives. We also supply gift cards to each local school that they can use for their most critical needs. We usually try to maintain a balance so that when disaster strikes, we can provide immediate support. The committee prayerfully tries to use this money to help God's children in need.



### **Do you have a passion for missions and not know how to help?**

Is there a mission area you are passionate about but the church never seems to collect for that area? UMCOR has a project web page that you can access. They have a number of general topics like education, women and children, health ministries, agriculture and many more. For each of these areas there are one or more pages of specific projects needing support. As an example you can educate AIDS orphans in Kenya, Haitian children, or refugees supported by Emmaus in Albany, NY. As is always true with UMCOR projects, they have been carefully vetted and every dollar you supply goes directly to help that cause. If you want to donate or give in honor of a family member or friend, this a a good way to have a positive impact on the lives of others in God's name.

*Ann Montgomery*

## Online Bible Study

Starting the First week in August, I will begin a Bible Study using a group on Facebook as the vehicle to share on. The Facebook group is called, "Bible Discussion Group at the Beach." The group picture is a picture of the church. If you can't find the group, you can just send a message to me on Facebook asking to be made a member. Often sending a friend request also helps, if we are not friends yet. I have done this before and it has proved a wonderful way to help people whose schedules preclude them from coming to a study that is at a fixed time, date and place.

### **So why study the Bible?**

Many people really don't read the Bible anymore. And for many years in my youth and young adult, I too struggled with reading it. It was as though something profound was supposed to happen when I read it. What I soon discovered was that if I didn't read it, others would interpret it for me. And as I went along, I realized many people were twisting certain details to fit their causes or beliefs. So, it is important to read it to discover who this God is and the love he has for us.

A writer listed some things that are not in the Bible that many people believe they are. The writer also added a cute citation for each thought that is not in the Bible about.

"God helps those who help themselves." 1 Americanians 17:76

"This, too, shall pass." Wisdomonius 4:11

"Yea, verily, God wants you to be happy." Oprah 1:1

"If you work hard enough, you'll be successful." 2 Jobs 9:25

"Just follow your heart and believe, and you can do anything." Song of Disney 20:15

Now, when we take something that is not in the Bible and make it Scriptural truth, we set ourselves up for problems. Knowing what Scripture really says gives us a powerful tool to react to the things that happen in this life. We see how others lived and learned and we can learn from them.

And as I reflected on my early life trying to read the Bible, I also saw that I shied away from reading it because some of the stuff just didn't make sense. But when I was in a group and could hear from others, passages began to make sense as the group learned from one another.

I hope and pray that you are doing something each week to grow in your discipleship. God calls us to learn all we can and we can never know it all. But we can learn more and more about God's love each day and from that knowledge, experience God's love in a deeper way each day.

### ***Blessings and Peace***

***Pastor Harry***

### **The Church Library has received some terrific books!**

The library is open on Tuesday afternoons for those who might like to stop by and get a 'terrific' book to read. The following paragraph for Bible scholars contains the names of 16 books of the Bible. See if you can find them.



I once made some remarks about hidden books in the Bible. It was a lulu, kept some people looking so hard for facts and to others it was a revelation. Some were in a jam, especially since the books were not capitalized, but the truth finally struck home to numbers of readers. To others it was a real job. We want it to be a most fascinating few minutes for you. Yes, there will be some really easy ones to spot. Others might require judges to determine. We will quickly admit it usually takes a minister to find one, and there will be loud lamentations when you see how easy it is. A little lady says that if she brews tea she can concentrate better. See how well you can complete.

*Janelle Warden*

FLORIDA UNITED METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

*This year, there were six high school graduates who were residents at the Florida United Methodist Children's Home. Those graduates, Antoine, Collin, Donovan, Garrett, Heather and Tyrese, came from troubled homes. They each have their own story of abuse and neglect, and their own experiences of poor school performance before going to the Children's Home. They did not let their past hold them back. One of the Children's Home Independent Living alumni recently completed his police standards at Seminole State College of Florida and was sworn in as an officer for the City of Deland Police Department. These are examples of how supporting the Children's Home pays off for the children and the community.*

*School is getting ready to start and parents are getting their children ready for the new school year. The Florida United Methodist Children's Home have to get about 400 children ready for the new school year. They have campuses in Enterprise and Madison and have foster children under their care. All of these children need school supplies, clothing, and electronics. Nationally, the average cost is \$600 to get a student ready for the school year. Many of the children at the children's home were abused, neglected or abandoned. It is common for these children to be between one to three grade levels behind. The Children's Home staff provide the academic support, therapy, and loving home-like environment that the children need to succeed. About half of the children at the Enterprise campus attend the on-campus school, Legacy Scholars Academy. The remaining children attend the local Volusia County Schools. The children at the Youth Ranch attend the local schools in Madison County.*

*In August, the Children's Home plan to break ground on the Lamar Louise Curry Early Childhood Education Development Center on the Enterprise campus. This center will include a kindergarten and will further support foster care families and at-risk children in the community.*

*The children's home is requesting financial gifts to help them provide the children with all the materials they need for the upcoming school year. Thank you for your support of the Florida United Methodist Children's Home.*

*Patsy Countryman*

DINING OUT IN AUGUST 2017

This month we have been invited to patronize our good friends at DOUBLES on Mondays. For newcomers (like Pastor Harry and Marilyn), Doubles restaurant is located on S. Patrick Drive in Indian Harbour Beach, right next to the Zon Assisted Living Facility. Ray Featherhof, owner and proprietor, is a member of SBUMC. Ray has been a strong supporter of SBUMC and our Dining Out program since its inception in 2007.

DOUBLES will donate 10% of your bill to SBUMC, so please tell the server and write SBUMC on your bill during Mondays in August. Have lunch or dinner on Mondays at DOUBLES.

Don and I love their mahi-mahi sandwiches and their Havana Salad. Everything is fresh and delicious.

See you on Mondays at Doubles—your restaurant of the month! Thank you for your continued support!

**Congratulations to**

Isabelle Sealey, daughter of Wendell and Kris Sealey, and member of our Youth Group, who is a contestant at the Southern Zones Swimming Championship in Tupelo, Mississippi, August 1-5. We want to give Isabelle a big shout for making it to competition! She will be representing Florida for her age group while competing against 13 states.

We are praying for her safety, and wishing her luck in the event!

**August** is upon us, and preschool is busy getting ready for the new school year which starts August 10. Teachers will be back at school August 2 preparing their classrooms. We are very thankful for the new roofs on the preschool buildings—they look great.

As of this writing, we have seats available in our 4-year-old classes (VPK), two in our 5 Day 3-year-old class, and a couple in our Younger Twos Class. We are excited to have Pastor Harry teach our students Bible lessons at our Chapel Time in the Sanctuary on Mondays at 11:40 am. All parents of students and church members are invited to visit Chapel Time.



*Susan Siemer, Preschool Director, 777-0116, X223*



### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SWIM PARTY

Our Pre-K through Elementary children and their families are invited to the Holloman's for lunch and swim party right after Sunday School (around 11:00 AM) on Sunday, August 27. Party will begin right after Sunday School, but come on over later if you attend the second service. Lunch will be served around 12:30 PM. Just bring swimsuits and beach towels—and maybe a lawn chair. We need to know how many for lunch, so please let Stephanie know how many in your family will be coming, or you can call/text Marilyn Holloman at 321-616-4384. Hope to see lots of our children and their families out to celebrate the start of a new school year.

### YOUTH GROUP BACK TO SCHOOL SPLASH

All youth are invited to the Holloman's for a Back-to-School pool party and taco bar on August 6<sup>th</sup>, 4 PM to 6 PM. The church bus will leave the church parking lot promptly at 4PM to head over to the parsonage. Your folks can drop you off directly at the house, if they prefer. The address is 675 Caribbean Rd.



Along with lots of food & pool fun, we'll have some good words from Josh and a blessing for the new school year from Pastor Harry. If you haven't been to youth group before, this is a good time to try us out. Hope to see you all there!



Dear SBUMC Family,

*Josh Dempsey, Youth Director*

Summer is coming to an end and school is starting! it is always funny that once we are in school, how we can't wait to get out for summer; but then by the end of summer, we can't wait to start school. We are anxious to see friends and start the next grade knowing that its another year closer to graduating! But, then after a month into the school year, we start to get restless and loose our sense of excitement. It becomes mundane and a chore, so again, we can't wait to get out of school—forgetting that excitement to learn, see friends, and start sports that we when we started.

Just as that happens to us regarding school, that may happen with us in our relationship with the Father, Son, and Spirit. We tend to loose our excitement in our reading and praying, because sometimes it's not as exciting as it was when we first started! But as we go into this new school year, let us remember as Paul tells us in Philippians 3.14 . . .to press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Jesus Christ." For school, it is the prize of learning and finishing with good grades and doing well, and with God, it is the prize of having a relationship with the Creator of all things and knowing that he loves us and wants relationship with us more than we know!

We have **Rock the Universe** coming up at the beginning of September, and I will get that information to you soon. I hope that everyone has had a great summer!

*Sincerely,  
Joshua*

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



Ask about how you can be a part of a LifeTogether home group. Don't be left out of this exciting ministry. Call the Church Office.

**The VISION NEWSLETTER DEADLINES**

**August 18** is the deadline for September  
**September 18** is the deadline for October  
**October 18** is the deadline for November  
Please email all news items to [caroll@sbumc.net](mailto:caroll@sbumc.net).

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