



MESSENGER

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF TITUSVILLE
206 S. HOPKINS AVE, TITUSVILLE, FL 32796

MAY 2019



Easter is over and we return to our everyday world, but because Easter happened, that world has changed. Jesus' resurrection fills the world with new possibilities if we are willing to see them. As Sophia from Golden Girls would say, "Picture it: Israel 33AD." The apostles are gathered in a closed room, hiding in fear from the authorities, wondering if they will come after them next. They tremble at every creak and noise; they are terrified! They are certain the authorities know they are Jesus' followers and are certain some group will be looking for them to put an end to the whole Jesus affair.

How often do we live in fear someone will find out what we have done or who we really are and punish us? We live in fear. Now, some fear is a good thing, but to live constantly in fear is not. The disciples were in that room feeling it was all over, then something amazing happened that changed their minds and their lives forever. As they sat in that room, Jesus suddenly appeared among them! Can you imagine sitting there when suddenly the person you believe to be dead appears in the room without coming through the door? I have no words for how I imagine that would feel. Jesus knew how they felt. His first words to them were "Peace be with you." (John 20:21 NRSV) Before giving instructions or breathing on them and telling them to receive the Holy Spirit, he says "Peace, be with you." Jesus knows what they need; they need their fears calmed and peace to be in their hearts and minds, so they can accept the new reality and begin the next phase of their journey.

Jesus still calls to us today – "Peace be with you." He knows that before we can be effective for the kingdom, we need to be at peace. We need His peace to fill us and to calm our hearts, our minds, and our lives. We cannot serve God while we are still living in the angst of what is happening or of what might happen. I have been privileged to know many people who have that peace in their lives and to witness the way in which they share the Gospel with a quiet calm spirit that reaches out to others. We need that spirit of peace in our lives today perhaps more than ever. As I watch the news and read newspaper and magazine articles, I find it is easy to be overcome by all the evil in our world, to be jaded by our political and social divisions that cause more fear, anger, and hatred to be expressed openly and loudly. I wonder if this is all a part of the plan of what scripture calls the prince of power of the air to so burden our minds and keep us from focusing on the resurrection of Jesus, which promises us that death and the grave have been overcome. In the resurrection, Jesus shows us His power over all things and beings and that He is in control even when it seems otherwise. It is difficult for us to see and understand when we are surrounded by so much brokenness, sorrow, division, and evil, but imagine how difficult it was for those who were locked away in that room in fear of the people who had crucified Jesus. The fear we feel is not new it is as old as time and it is based on the lie that evil is in charge and has the power to control everything. Evil may win for a time but ultimately Jesus is the victor.

I pray we can focus our hearts and minds on that ultimate victory; that we can hold the resurrection promise in our lives and trust in the grace of God to lead us forward boldly to share the word of God. We may die in the process but we are promised that death has been overcome and we too will be resurrected in perfection. May the promise of Easter live in our hearts today and always.

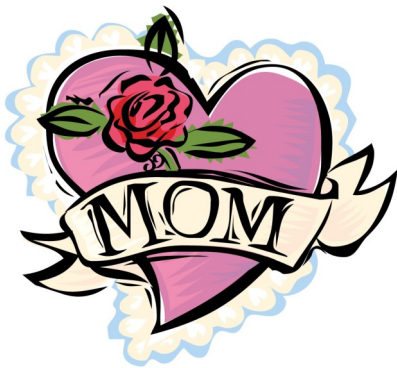
Hallelujah! He is risen!

Wayne Cook





Thanks to everyone's extreme generosity, our goal to purchase a new van was not only met, but exceeded!



**Lay Liturgists/Readers
for May**

May 5 — Lois Queen

May 12 — Glenda Waring

May 19 — Jan Gilreath

May 26 — Rayelynn Henderson

May Prayer Focus

“When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, “Woman, here is your son.” Then he said to the disciple, “Here is your mother.” And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.”

— John 19:26-27

April 28–May 4 — Rest for the minds, bodies and spirits of both the strong and the weary

May 5–11 — Celebrate Christ's Love

May 12–18 — Mothers and their children

May 19–25 — Our Pastor

May 26–June 1 — Seek Wisdom

Memorial Gifts

We would like to acknowledge and thank the families and friends who have designated memorial gifts to our church this year in memory of those who have gone to be with our Lord and Savior.

*Ruth Alman
John & Joanne Baker
Bill & Kitty Baldwin
Helen Becker
Robert C. Bessen
Vic & Yvette Boodhoo
Barbara Borman
Marion & Joy Brady
Lew & Barbara Brinkley
Nancy Bunting
M.J. and R.S. Carrabba
Randy & Lynn Coleman
Keith & Libby Cooke
N. Lucille Deeter
Ken & Louise DeTorrès
Teresa Fannin
Joseph & Judy Fine
Ed & Debbie Grimes
Gary & Joanne Hamilton
Adrienne Herrrell
Kaye Hooper
Jake & Debbie Huzther
French & Naomi Johnson*

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Frank & Ann Kennedy
Kerry Kennedy
Carol Key
Jan Lichtenwalter
Joseph & Cheryl Maxwell
Trudy Metzger
Bill & Lois Queen
Michael & Laurie Richards
Judith Riddle
Frank & Linda Russell
Barbara Schwartz
Georgia Smith
John & Carol Stephens
Tommie & Michelle Suggs
Laurilze Thompson
Bill & Natalie Walls
John & Maxine Watkins
Herman Wattwood, Jr.
Rich & Linda Wilson
Jim & Carolyn Winn
Richard & Amy Yunker
Caroline Zaffery*



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

MAY BIRTHDAYS

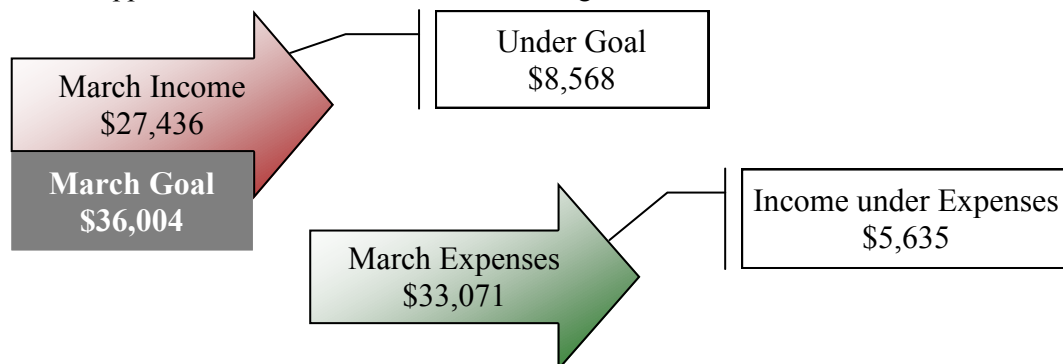
10 John & Marie Pridgen
 14 Bill & Kitty Baldwin
 15 Mark & Karin Lewis
 20 Richard & Florence Llewellyn
 24 Paul & Jan Grimard

1 Henry Jenkins
 4 RoAnne Damoff
 4 Carol Stephens
 7 Jackie Smith
 8 Barbara Leech
 10 Tom Trovillion
 13 Grace Barron
 15 Paulette Powell
 16 Hal Row
 21 Les Owens

21 Carolyn Winn
 23 Tom Hammond
 24 Vic Boodhoo
 24 Marion Brady
 27 Reba Howington
 28 Angie Messer
 28 Catherine Spencer
 29 Richard Llewellyn
 31 Joe Kendall, Sr.

The Church's Budgeted Finances

The Finance Committee appreciates your contributions and donations. With your support we will be able to continue sharing God's love with those around us.



The budget for 2019 is **\$432,047** which, divided evenly, makes each month's goal \$36,004 rather than being weighted differently throughout the year.

How
precious
are Your
thoughts
about me.

When I wake up,
You are still with me!



PSALM 139:17-18



adult ministries

KNIT WITS — Every Tues. @ 11am in the Fellowship Hall

CHAIROBICS — Every Tues. @ 2:30pm in the Fellowship Hall

LINE DANCING — Every Thurs. @ 2:30pm in the Fellowship Hall

PATCHWORK FRIENDS – 1st Wed. of each month @ 9am in the quilting room

— PLEASE SIGN UP FOR THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES —

CHILD PROTECTION WORKSHOP – May 5th @ 1pm in the Fellowship Hall

There will be a pizza and salad lunch served with coffee/tea. Donations will be greatly appreciated.

ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY...

...if you work in any capacity with our children and youth.

OR

...if you have keys to the Education Building.

Without this training you CANNOT work with our children and youth in any capacity or hold a key that accesses the Education Building or Youth Annex.

SMARTPHONE & TABLET LEARNING – Adult Studies Room @ 11am

SIGNUP IS MANDATORY (see dates below)

Would you like to learn more about your smartphone or tablet? Do you need technical assistance? GPS maps and driving directions, organize and edit photos, send/receive text messages without typing, understand settings like Wi-Fi or Bluetooth, apps such as Facebook or YouTube, use voice commands on your device, and browse the internet. Nancy Burgess (321-607-6453) is offering individual sessions to answer your questions. Small groups are welcome if the type of device is the same (Android smartphone/tablet vs. Apple smartphone/tablet.)

Available dates are Mondays & Thursdays:

May 6, 9, 13, 16, 23.

Sessions start at 11am and last approx. 60-90 minutes.

LADIES DAY OUT

Thursday, May 16th @ 9:30am – We will be carpooling to New Smyrna for lunch and shopping then take the wildlife tour from 2-4pm. Tickets are \$26.

Thursday, July 18th @ 11:30am – Tea World at Titusville (Searstown) Mall

*To reserve a space, call Carol Stephens at 321-267-2600 or
sign up at the rear of the church.*




**To sign up for any of these programs, check the table in back of the sanctuary
or**

call Rayelynn at 321-269-7631, ext. 206 and leave a message.

It's very important to sign up so we can prepare for the program.

May 2019

First United Methodist Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 9:00am Patchwork Friends 4:00pm Lenten Book Study 7:00pm Chancel Choir	2 11:00am Smart Device Class 11:30am Ladies Day Out 2:30pm Line Dancing Class	3 12:00pm Band Practice 1-3:30pm Food Pantry	4 7:30am Garden Club 8:00am Comm. Breakfast
5 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship 1:00pm Child Prot. Training	6 11:00am Smart Device Class 3:00pm Worship Design	7 11:00am Knit Wits 1:00pm Line Dancing Rehearsal 2:30pm Chairbics 5:00pm Handbells 6:30pm Lenten Book Study 6:30pm Soliloquy Rehearsal 7:30pm Broadstreet Rehearsal	8 4:00pm Lenten Book Study 6:00pm Ladies Choir 7:00pm Chancel Choir	9 11:00am Smart Device Class 2:30pm Line Dancing Class	10 12:00pm Band Practice 1-3:30pm Food Pantry	11 8:00am Comm. Breakfast
12 Mother's Day 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship 	13 11:00am Smart Device Class 1:00pm Staff Meeting 3:00pm Worship Design 5:30pm Finance Comm. Mtg.	14 10:00am UMW Meeting 11:00am Knit Wits 1:00pm Line Dancing Rehearsal 2:30pm Chairbics 5:00pm Handbells 6:30pm Soliloquy Rehearsal 7:30pm Broadstreet Rehearsal	15 6:00pm Ladies Choir 7:00pm Chancel Choir	16 9:00am PEO 9:30am Ladies Day Out 11:00am Smart Device Class 2:30pm Line Dancing	17 12:00pm Band Practice 1-3:30pm Food Pantry	18 8:00am Comm. Breakfast
19 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship	20 11:00am Smart Device Class 3:00pm Worship Design 7:00pm Trustees Meeting	21 11:00am Knit Wits 2:30pm Chairbics 3:30pm Dove Circle 5:00pm Handbells 6:30pm Soliloquy Rehearsal 7:30pm Broadstreet Rehearsal	22 6:00pm Ladies Choir 7:00pm Chancel Choir	23 11:00am Smart Device Class 1:30pm Stop Gap 2:30pm Line Dancing	24 12:00pm Band Practice 1-3:30pm Food Pantry 5:30pm Friday Fellowship	25 7:30am UMM Breakfast 8:00am Comm. Breakfast
26 9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship	27 Memorial Day — Office Closed — 	28 11:00am Knit Wits 2:30pm Chairbics 5:00pm Handbells 6:30pm Soliloquy Rehearsal 7:30pm Broadstreet Rehearsal	29 6:00pm Ladies Choir 7:00pm Chancel Choir	30 2:30pm Line Dancing	31 12:00pm Band Practice 1-3:30pm Food Pantry	



FUMC Staff

1	Rev. Wayne Cook - Pastor	Ext 204
2	Mario Davis - Administrative Assistant	Ext 207
3	Keith Meck - Facilities Manager	Ext.202
4	Rayelynn Henderson - Adult Ministries	Ext 206
5	Carol Henn - Music Director	Ext 209
6	Nursery	Ext 208
7	Reception Desk	Ext 201
8	Amy Martin - Children's Ministries	
9	Lauren Peterson - Director of Student Ministries	
10	Dr. Bob Titus - Pastor Emeritus	321-603-0235
11	Keith Cooke - Financial Secretary	
12	J.D. Daniel - Organist	
13	Steve Rossi - Sound Tech	
14	Josh Huss - Lights and Visuals	

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206 S. Hopkins Ave
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Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.

Worship Services: 10:00 a.m.

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Closed from 12:00 – 12:30 p.m.

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