

A WORD

FROM THE





FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF TITUSVILLE 206 S. HOPKINS AVE, TITUSVILLE, FL 32796 **NOVEMBER 2018**

Some undetermined time in the fall of 1621 the survivors of the Plymouth Colony had a harvest celebration. The primary purpose was to celebrate being alive after the first awful winter in the New World. One hundred two people had landed in this new land in November 1620, as the harsh New England winter was already underway. They found this place to be difficult and living to be hard. Of the 102 that landed, PASTOR fifty-three survived. This first celebration found them both alive and, because they had a good harvest and assistance from the Native Americans in hunting, with plenty of food for the coming winter. This

was truly a celebration of living that lasted three days and included their Native American counterparts in the celebration. There were other celebrations of thanksgiving among the early colonists that did not involve food but instead involved a time of prayer and fasting in thankfulness for events or simply thankfulness to God for all they had received.

Neither of those celebrations was the first time of giving thanks or of a harvest festival. Exodus 23:16 gives us the instructions for two festivals that relate to our planting and harvesting that were required in the Old Testament. "Celebrate the Festival of Harvest with the first fruits of the crops you sow in your field. Celebrate the Festival of Ingathering at the end of the year, when you gather in your crops from the field." The second festival is a celebration of what God has done in providing food for the people. They recognize the reliance of the people on the creator who has blessed them with the weather, the seed, and the labor to produce the crops that needed to be stored for the winter; the time crops don't grow and provide for us. Not only did the people of Israel celebrate the harvest, but the Romans, the Greeks, the Chinese, and the Egyptians had similar celebrations. Each of these focused on being thankful to the gods they believed in and served for the bounty of the Earth. The celebration of the harvest is in recognition of the bounty of the land provided by a loving deity in most, if not all, ancient cultures.

So what does that mean for us today? It seems Thanksgiving has become a time for overeating and football for many in our culture. I wonder how many even remember the reason for our celebration. I know people who share what they are thankful for around the table before eating the huge meal. I know many who don't as well. But I wonder how many just stop to be thankful they are still alive? In our country we no longer face the fear of starvation and death as they did in 1621; we are, for the most part, a land of plenty. Likewise, too many don't even see a need to be thankful to God for what they have. They see the bounty of the harvest as no more than the labor of their hands and the use of good agricultural methods and chemicals. It is humbling to stop and be thankful to someone else that we are even alive, but, as Christians, we believe that we are to be thankful to God because we are His creation and all that we are and have is a gift from His gracious and loving hand. Wow that's a lot to be thankful for! I wonder what would happen in our world if we as the church (not just First UMC Titusville or even the UMC, but all of the body of Christ), stopped for one day and were truly thankful for just being alive and what would be the result? We live in such a hurry that even on the day we have set aside to be thankful we have to rush through the dinner so some members of the family can go to another celebration or can finish in time to watch "the big game" or take a nap to sleep off the turkey. Maybe we are struggling so much with having to deal with Uncle Joe or Aunt Sally and worrying about what comment they will make that will start a huge issue in the family that we can't be thankful. I would venture to say if we all just took the day to focus on what God has done for us as people and the ways in which we have been blessed while putting aside our worries and fears for that one day we would find not only a time of thankfulness but also a time of blessings.

I pray for you and your family this Thanksgiving; a day of thankfulness, grace, and blessings.

Blessed to Be Your Pastor,







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FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

UNDER THE NAME

Speak Out in the Streets

AND JOIN OUR PAY-IT-FORWARD FACEBOOK GROUP. THERE YOU WILL FIND AN UPDATED LIST OF PAY-IT-FORWARD PARTICIPATING RESTAURANTS.

2. LET YOUR SERVER KNOW YOU WOULD LIKE TO PAY-IT-FORWARD.

3. YOU'VE JUST FED A HUNGRY PERSON IN OUR COMMUNITY.

CHECK OUR PAY-IT-FORWARD GROUP PAGE OFTEN, AS
MORE RESTAURANTS JOIN THE INITIATIVE.
https://facebook.com/Imagine.NoOneHungry/

Among the participating establishments are Good Thymes and Steve's Diner

Follow them on Facebook to learn more.

Friends in the Florida Annual Conference

Many of you watched with horror and disbelief as Hurricane Michael raged through the southeast. Our neighbors in the panhandle of Florida, located in the Alabama-West Florida Conference, have experienced catastrophic damage. The majority of the severe damage was located in the Marianna-Panama City District which includes areas such as Mexico Beach, Port St. Joe, Panama City, Marianna and surrounding areas. The District Superintendent, Dr. Doug Pennington, lost his home. Many of the national news outlets have conducted their broadcasts from these towns.

We know all too well the shock and helpless feeling hurricane survivors are left with when the storms pass. After a weather event of this magnitude, there are many ways to help but monetary donations are crucial in the immediate aftermath. I am requesting that all churches in the Florida Conference take a special collection this Sunday or next. The money will be sent directly to the Alabama-West Florida Conference so that they can distribute it directly to those who need it most. In addition to damaged churches, many pastors and staff are faced with the difficult task of rebuilding. Some are faced with high deductibles to pay to even get the process started.

I invite you to give generously to our United Methodist brothers and sisters who desperately need our help. Bishop David Graves, Resident Bishop of the Alabama-West Florida Conference is most appreciative of our generosity and is humbled by this immediate action.

The people of the First United Methodist Church of Ormond Beach have challenged the Florida Annual Conference to help our sisters and brothers in the panhandle through a matching gift up to the amount of \$500,000. We ask that all gifts to be matched be given by December 31st.

I ask you to keep this conference in your prayers as they continue to assess the damage. I am grateful to each of you for your missional spirit and love. This denomination has proven that we are often at our best in times of need.

With Gratitude, Bishop Ken Carter Resident Bishop Florida Annual Conference

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Sunday School Glasses

Pathfinders

This class studies the Bible by using lesson plans that samples all the books of the Bible over a multi-year This class is a small group of various ages, both instead, we rotate between class members who want each class by having fellowship with coffee and to share and teach. We are a small group growing snacks. We study together to learn how to live a spiritually, sharing joys and concerns, and welcoming Christian life. members, visitors and any who would like to share visitors at any time to join our circle of friends. We our discussions of the Christian life. We meet on the meet on the 1st floor of the Education Building. 1st floor of the Education Building.

Trinity

Leader: Pat Clark

We do not have a specific teacher, but singles and couples who are Bible focused. We start We welcome new members and

Mountain Top

Leader: Randy Coleman

This class is an exciting and lively group of wonderful people (singles and couples) who truly love the Lord. We have a variety of ages that lend itself to a well-rounded perspective of life experiences. A class member coined the delightful phrase, "There is joy in the doing." That is exactly what the class members' do....serve the Lord with gladness! The up look and outlook is always good from the Mountaintop! Come and join us. We meet on the 1st floor of the Youth Building.





November Prayer Focus

"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights " — James 1:17

October 28-November 3 — The memories of those who have passed

November 4–10 — Our Cuban brothers & Sisters

November 11-17 — Those who served our country

November 18–24 — Those in need

November 25–Decmber 1 — Preparing for the

Advent Season

Lay Liturgists/Readers For November 2018

November 4 — Trudy Metzger

November 11 — Nancy Burgess

November 18 — Rayelynn Henderson

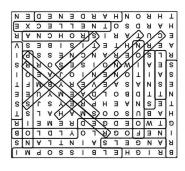
November 25 — Glenda Waring

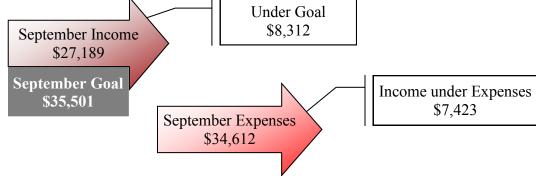
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7.	What is man, that thou art mindful of him? or the son of man that thou him? Hebrews 2:6															
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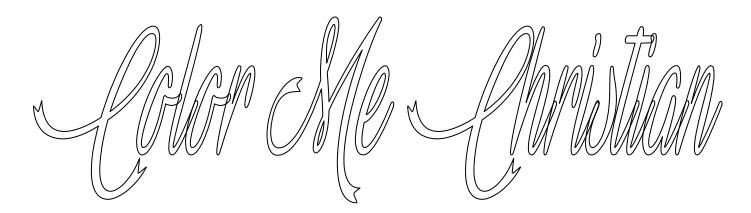


Thanksgiving Greetings





The budget for 2018 is \$426,005 which, divided evenly, makes each month's goal \$35,501 rather than being weighted differently throughout the year.





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CUBA FUNDRAISING

DINNER

Saturday, November 10th @ 5:00 pm Fellowship Hall Tickets: \$10.00

Pastor Wayne will be cooking. This dinner will raise funds for the January 2019 Mission Trip to Cuba. Tickets are available at the back of the Sanctuary after church and they are available in the office.





Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Sunday, November 18, 2018 @ 11:30 (After Church) Fellowship Hall

Church will provide Turkey & Dressing.
Bring a covered dish to share.
Sign up at the Adult Studies Table.

Patchwork Friends

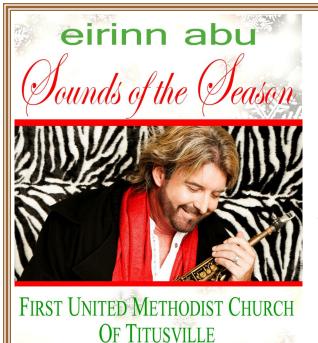
Patchwork Friends is another group of United Methodist Women who meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 9:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Here we make an average of 100 quilts which are distributed to various members of our congregation who are sick, doing rehab, in the hospital, to families with a new baby or who have lost a loved one.

We also give quilts to our service men and women currently serving, to veterans, and to family members entering the service. Our red, white and blue quilts are used to decorate the sanctuary for Memorial Day, Veterans Day, Labor Day, and World Prayer Day.

You do not need to know how to sew to join us. We break down the process into many small jobs. If you can iron, use scissors, tie a knot, or match colors, we can use your help. This is a small group who would welcome new members. Each quilt we make is done so with loving hands and with healing prayers.

We meet on the 1st Wednesday of each month (November 7th) at 9:00 a.m. in Quilting Room. For more information, contact Glenda Waring at GLW43@cfl.rr.com.

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EIRINN AB'U

Wednesday, November 28th @ 6pm

Come enjoy a holiday concert featuring Eirinn Abu. You heard him perform at our worship service in September, now come enjoy an entire program of his amazing music.

There is no charge. A love offering will be collected.



CELTIC CHRISTMAS

Sunday, December 16th @ 3:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Please join us for our traditional Celtic Christmas production. This year we are joined not only by members of St. Andrew Methodist Church but also Trinity Lutheran Church to bring you the beautiful celtic-themed Christmas music you've come to love and cherish. Bring the whole family! This is a free concert, but a love offering will be collected during the production.

DECEMBER CHILDREN'S MANTSTRAES

<u>December 16 – Children's Ministry Christmas Shop</u>

Our annual Children's ministry Christmas shop is approaching. Children pick out gifts to take home to family members which are wrapped in gift paper or placed in gift bags. We are in need of new or donated items for them to choose from; especially men's items such as cologne, socks, small tools, ties, wallets, etc. Please place donations in the back of the sanctuary or bring them to the office. Thank you for your support! Contact Amy Martin, (321) 474-8546 with any questions.

December Children's Ministry Workshop

The children's ministry program will be hosting a Saturday workshop in the fellowship hall where families are welcomed to participate in creating gingerbread houses. A sign-up list will be posted in the back of the sanctuary for anyone interested in volunteering or participating in this fun holiday event. Candy donations are requested: graham crackers, mini and large candy canes, peppermints, pretzel sticks, gum drops, red licorice, red hots, marshmallows, chocolate baking chips, coconut flakes, skittles, M&M's, Hershey kisses, hard candy, etc., and Styrofoam plates. *The date will be determined later*.

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CHAIROBICS – Every Tuesday @ 2:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

This is what everyone has been waiting on. An exercise class that lets you sit down. This class is designed so that everyone can participate. Put your comfy clothes on and join us for a lot of fun and exercise.

MOVIE NIGHT – Thursday, November 15th @ 6:00 p.m. in the Adult Studies Room

<u>One Night with the King</u>: A sweeping epic about Hadassah, the young Jewish orphan who becomes the biblical Esther, Queen of Persia. You bring the drinks and we will provide the popcorn.

<u>LEARN TO SEW</u> – Every Monday @ 1:00 p.m. in the Quilting Room

Have you ever wanted to sew? This class is for you. Glenda Waring will show you how to properly thread a sewing machine and sew a straight seam. Then, the class will decide what project(s) they want to work on. You do not need a sewing machine to participate...we will provide them.

<u>LINE DANCING</u> – Thursdays @ 2:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

We turn the AC down and the music up. Join Adrienne for fun and exercise. No need to signup....just show up and have fun. We also have a group that performs for Nursing Homes. See Adrienne for details on this group.

LADIES DAY OUT – 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month

November 1st @ 11:30am – Mama Rosa's Restaurant for lunch. ***SIGN UP BY OCTOBER 31st***

November 21st @ 11:30am - Check the bulletins for location and details. ***SIGN UP BY NOVEMBER 14TH***

To reserve a space, call Carol Stephens at 321-267-2600 or Rayelynn at 321-269-7631.

You can also sign up at the rear of the church.

CRAFT TIME – Tuesday, November 27th @ 10:30 a.m. in the Adult Studies Room

Have fun making a no-sew tucked Christmas Wreath using fabric. This wreath uses fabric squares to create colorful designs and patterns. It is a lot of fun for everyone. Everyone will enjoy this simple craft. **PLEASE SIGN UP BY NOVEMBER 19 - \$5.00 materials fee**

COMPUTER & PHONE ABC's – Wednesday, November 28th @ 1:30 p.m. in the Adult Studies Room

Would you like to learn basic technology? "What can this thing do?" "How do I...?" -or even- "What if I can't type?" Nancy Burgess will offer monthly demonstrations, hands-on practice, and Q/A. So, bring your laptop, tablet, Kindle, iPad, smartphone, or just come and watch! Let's talk!

KNIT WITS – every Tuesday @ 11:00am in the Fellowship Hall

From Beginners to Experts. Bring your knitting, crochet, or needlework projects to work on. If you are a beginner... welcome....we will teach you. Come for an hour or so of friendship and needlework.

FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP – Friday, November 16th @ 5:30 pm — Ice House Restaurant

Same Name....but a new menu and face lift. Check out this long lasting casual dining restaurant. They now offer a great menu with many options. From Cauliflower Pizza to Gyro Sandwiches....they have it covered. Sign up and let's all have a great time. ***PLEASE SIGN UP BY NOVEMBER 15***

<u>SARA FERNANDEZ BIBLE STUDY</u> – Monday, November 12th @ 1:00pm in the Fellowship Hall The group will meet at Carol Stephen's house.

ADULT COLORING – Monday, November 5th @ 10:30am in the Adult Studies Room

Coloring is not just for kids. Adults relax and also enjoy it. Join us for an hour of fun and fellowship. Don't worry about bringing supplies....we have plenty to share. You can also try Diamond Painting if you missed the class last week. (There is a material cost of \$5.00) for the Diamond Painting kit.

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.*

November 2018

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