

## THANK YOU!

In a moment, twelve years have passed. In a flash, I see the pictures of what grace and love look like. In an instant, I have moved from arriving with great hopes to retiring with great sadness.

The last twelve years have been a wonder and a blessing. We have found friends that will last a lifetime and a community that reflects what is important to us. We have grown in confidence and faith as you have nourished us with your love. We have been overwhelmed with your commitment to our Lord and your spirit of giving to the least of this world. For twelve years now you have stepped out in faith to try new things, you have taken on projects that were too big for us to accomplish - and accomplished them - and you have been there when people needed you the most. Thank you to all of you who volunteered your time, your talents, your gifts, and your service. Thank you for your commitment to the children and youth. Thank you for Haiti. Thank you for all the hunger and homeless ministries in which the church is involved. Thank you for your commitment to becoming disciples every day. Thank you for your willingness to be open to the Word and to use that Word in daily living. THANK YOU!

Now here comes the part you are not going to like reading. I will not be your pastor from now on. Iris and I can be friends, neighbors, someone you bump into in Publix, but not your pastor. It is important that we all give the new pastor room to grow and expand the work of Jesus Christ here in Homosassa. He will have different ideas, different ways of doing things, different ways of putting together and presenting a sermon. Support your new pastor, love him the way you have loved us, and see this as an opportunity to start some new things and get rid of other things that have become rigid or empty of meaning. Most of all, pray for him. If there is anyone who has left the church, invite them to come and hear the new preacher. Don't leave the church just because I am retiring; remember, you are here to worship our Lord Jesus Christ, not because of a particular pastor.

See this as an opportunity to improve and grow the church. Iris and I will be attending another place of worship, giving the new pastor room to lead the church without interference from the old way of doing things. Please don't say, "That's not the way Mark did it!" We will be involved in the community and will see you from time to time. We will continue to serve the Lord, just not here.

We will take your love with us as we go and look forward to seeing you along the way. We will pray for you and your pastor each day and promote the church with everyone we meet. I believe that there isn't a finer church anywhere in the state of Florida, and the worst thing that could happen for me would be to see you lose the grace and joy that has made it so beautiful.





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## ~ NOTICE ~

The Worship Committee is planning a Retirement Celebration for Pastor Mark and Iris on **JUNE 17**. We will hold **ONE SERVICE ONLY** at **10:00 a.m.** with a special luncheon following the service. Mark your calendars to attend this special service and take the opportunity to congratulate them on a wonderful retirement.

be still  
and know  
that I am  
**God**



Psalms 46:10

## To The Congregation:

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Our new pastor will be joining us **Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup>** and I thought you would like some information about him and his family.

His name: Reverend Kipton “Kip” Younger  
His wife: Sherry - married 33 years  
His age: 59 years old - birthday is August 22<sup>nd</sup>  
His family: 2 grown sons, Kyle and Paul  
Current parish: Estero United Methodist Church  
<http://www.esteroumc.org/>  
Previous Parish: First United Methodist Church of Inverness  
Education: University of Central Florida-BA 1986  
& Emory University-Masters 1989



### **Pastor Younger writes:**

“My faith has seen me through difficult church challenges in dealing with people. My theological stance is basically conservative. I have an open door policy, in that, if I’m in the office, I am open to seeing folks. Hospitals, nursing homes, and follow-up phone calls allow me the opportunity for pastoral care.”

### **His Spiritual Gifts:**

Preaching is spirit based, listening and counseling, connecting with persons in need.

### **On Preaching:**

Pastor Younger says: “I live for Sunday mornings. People enjoy, appreciate, and learn from my sermons.”

Let us welcome Pastor Younger, and his wife Sherry, with Christian love and thankfulness. Keep him and his wife in your prayers and remember to wear your name tags for the next few months so they can get to know who we are.

Thanks be to God for each and every one of you in this church family. Together, we can make this a smooth transition and continue to do God’s will for this church.

Your brother in Christ,  
Jim Roth, Chairman-SPRC

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*by Kay Bast*



Christian Education

Here we go, summer in Florida! What a beautiful place God created for us to use.

Most Bible studies will continue throughout the summer with members coming and going. The same for Sunday school classes. The children's Sunday school and the youth class will be meeting at ten during the second service,

instead of nine. And of course the nursery will be open for both services. Jan Wise is considering a short term study during the summer, watch for it on the screens. We will be looking at more short term Disciple classes, probably in the fall.

Have a safe and blessed summer. I will be here most of the time, so stop by or give me a call anytime if you have suggestions, ideas or questions, or just want to chat.

Kay

**GENESIS  
DEADLINE!  
AUGUST 3  
FOR  
SEPTEMBER**

**SUMMER  
CHURCH SERVICES**

**8:00 & 10:00 A.M.**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL  
9:00 A.M.**

**HOSPITALITY  
9-10 A.M.**

*Thank  
you*

You never know how much you are loved until the Lord takes your loved one away and sends so much love and caring from your friends and church. He is so good!

Thank you everyone, for your love, cards, flowers, and hugs. Thank you Lord for all my blessings.

I am so glad that George knew the Lord and that he has released him from his pain.

*Jerry Cole*



**WALLET MISSING?  
NOW WHAT?**

Although not strictly a health issue, such a loss is definitely a stressor that can cause health problems!

#1 Immediately call all your credit card companies and request "account number change" as opposed to canceling your account. Canceling accounts could hurt your credit score.

#2 Change your account passwords to prevent accounts being opened by an identity thief.

#3 File a police report, and get copies. You may need them later.

#4 Request a fraud alert to be put on your accounts. With this in place creditors are supposed to verify your identity, usually by phone, before issuing new credit in your name.

#5 Request the DMV put a "flag" on your license file. This will

protect against a thief requesting a new copy of your license, as well protecting you from someone running up traffic violations in your name. You may have to replace your license in person and provide proof of identity.

#6 You should also notify your bank and request a new ATM or debit card as well as open a new checking account if your checkbook is also missing.

#7 Check your credit history in several weeks and then every 2-3 months after losing your wallet.

To protect yourself from complications there are steps you can take now! Make photocopies of the front and back of every card you keep in your wallet, even library cards. Having these copies in your home safe and with you when you travel will give you access to all your accounts when you need it fast!

**Hope you all have a blessed and healthy summer!**

***IN MEMORY***



**George Trimmer  
(Constituent Member)  
Went to the Lord 4/27/2012**

**Eleanor Smith  
(mother of Phyllis Peters)  
Went to the Lord 5/12/2012**



**PRAYER FOR THE DEPARTED**

O God, by Whose mercy the faithful departed find rest, send Your holy angel to watch over their soul, through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

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## **PLEASE WEAR YOUR NAME TAGS**

FOR OUR NEW PASTOR TO KNOW WHO YOU ARE!

The Staff/Parish Relations Committee is asking us to find our name tags and to make a conscious effort to wear them (if we already don't) every Sunday **beginning June 17<sup>th</sup>**.

Paper name tags will be available in the Narthex for those who do not have one (lost it, whatever), so please pick one up if you need to. This is a way to help everyone (including our new Pastor) remember our name and to see where we came from. This usually starts a good conversation as well.



### **Building Security: BE A WATCHDOG**

The church campus is as vulnerable to theft and vandalism as any regular business. We need everyone to make a conscious effort to turn off all lights and lock all doors when leaving the buildings. **Please do not assume** someone else will take care of it; they are thinking the same thing.

### **THE PILOT**

This is a story of a lady flying in a two-seater airplane with just the pilot, who has a heart attack and dies. She frantically screams out a May Day.

"May Day! May Day! Help me! Help me! My pilot just had a heart attack and died, and I don't know how to fly. Help me! Please help me!" Then she hears a voice over the radio saying:

"This is Air Traffic Control and I have you loud and clear. I will talk you through this and get you back on the ground. I've had a lot of experience with this kind of problem. 'Now, just take a deep breath. Everything will be fine! Now give me your height and position.'"

She replies, "I'm 5'4" and I'm in the front seat."

"O.K." says the voice on the radio.... "Repeat after me:

**Our Father. . Who art in Heaven....."**

## **THE CROSS & FLAME**



Suppose you are vacationing far from home. You drive around, looking for a church in which to worship Sunday morning. Suddenly you see a familiar sight: a Cross and Flame insignia on a sign, pointing you to the nearest United Methodist Church. You've just proved how symbols and pictures provide instant recognition, meaning and a sense of belonging.

Indeed, the Cross and Flame emblem is a powerful reminder of who and Whose we are as United Methodists. That's why protecting and preserving its use and integrity are just as important today as when the insignia was created and registered as No. 917,433 with the United States Patent and Trademark Office more than three decades ago.

### **History and Significance**

The history and significance of the Cross and Flame emblem are as rich and diverse as The United Methodist Church. The insignia's birth quickly followed the union of two denominations in 1968: The Methodist Church and the Evangelical United Brethren Church.

Following more than **7** two dozen conceptualizations, a traditional symbol—the cross—was linked with a single flame with dual tongues of fire. The resulting insignia is rich in meaning. It relates The United Methodist church to God through Christ (cross) and the Holy Spirit (flame). The flame is a reminder of Pentecost when witnesses were unified by the power of the Holy Spirit and saw "tongues, as of fire" (Acts 2:3).

The elements of the emblem also remind us of a transforming moment in the life of Methodism's founder, John Wesley, when he sensed God's presence and felt his heart "strangely warmed." The two tongues of a single flame may also be understood to represent the union of two denominations.

The insignia, one with lettering and one without, was formally adopted by the General Conference in 1968 and registered in 1971 with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Since 1996, the General Council on Finance and Administration (GCFA) of The United Methodist church has supervised the emblem's use.

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*Have you talked to God Today?*



**Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.**  
(Psalm 107:1)

How about planning, deliberately determining, to have a thanks-filled summer?

One of the first things we teach our children is the response of “thank you” when someone does something nice for them. How often I repeated the question, “What do you say,” when a child forgot to acknowledge some kindness. The practice of thankfulness is a life-time lesson, and in human relationships we regard it as important.

So how about our child-Father relationship with God? Isn’t our relationship with him just as important as one human being expressing appreciation to another? So why do we forget? Could it be that we have not trained ourselves to do with God the very thing we expect in our human relationships?

What if, when we first open our eyes in the morning, we imagine God speaking, “What do you say?” Would that remind us to thank him for loving us, for the new day, for ordering our steps and for going before us in our many activities?

When we find a bargain at the store, a friend drops by with an unexpected gift, the Rays win their baseball game (God does care about baseball because he cares about each

man on each team), an appointment gets cancelled and we have unexpected free time—all the things we think of as good happening in our day—can we imagine God reminding us, “What do you say?” Would we learn to be thankful?

Then there are the days when things seem dull and mundane, we can’t find a bargain price for a need, the Rays lose their baseball game, we forget an appointment and have to reschedule—these are all things that we consider frustrating and undesirable. If we imagine God asking, “What do you say,” how will we react? Can we learn to thank God for who he is, how much he loves us even in the mundaneness of our day? The Psalmist calls this a sacrificial thank offering: “he who sacrifices thank offerings honors me.” We may not “feel” thankful at all, but, when we give thanks to God, it honors him and makes the way so he can show us his salvation from our disappointments. (Psalm 50:23)

When we climb into bed, exhausted from the crazy day we’ve had, imagine God asking, “What do you say.” As we began the day with “thank you, Father,” can we remember to end it the same way? When thanksgiving brackets our day, the Father is blessed and will respond with blessing. Imagine him saying, “You’re welcome, my child.”

So how about it? Will you join me in honoring God with a thanks-filled summer?

**Prayer: Lord, remind us so that we might become a thankful people.**



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**Thursday, June 14, 2012**

From

**9 A.M. until 12 P.M.**

**[www.1umc.org](http://www.1umc.org)**

At the

**The First United Methodist Church of**

**Homosassa**

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## 10 SUMMER TIME, RELAX WITH A GOOD BOOK

**The following is an assortment of books that you might enjoy reading!**

**“Inside Story”** by Susan Page Davis. Claudia Gillette is a prize-winning journalist at a high-profile magazine. She prides herself on her cool independence, traveling the globe, beating the deadline. Landing the interview with Heidi Taber, the only female in an elite U. S. Navy special operations unit, is another rung on her ladder of career success. Lt. Bill White is not happy with the journalist standing in front of him in the midst of the Philippine jungle. Training maneuvers have suddenly changed to a covert mission to rescue a well-known aero physicist from terrorists and he has no time for her. Claudia finds herself caught up in a danger she never expected. With lives at stake, she fears her presence is the greatest detriment to survival. She hopes to find the strength to live through the nightmare – or has her ambition cost her her life?

**“Glory of Creation”** for fans of the paintings of Thomas Kinkaid, there are awe-inspiring paintings throughout the book interspersed with selections of classic literature, poetry and insightful quotes. The combination can elevate the soul to a fresh experience of the glory of creation.

**“Runaway Lives”: Overcoming Emotional Undercurrents** by Tom Smiley. This book gives logical reasons why lives spin out of control and offers practical steps to restore order and sanity to life. This book speaks to undercurrents which lead to emotional, even physical breakdowns – selfishness, worry, fear, envy, negativity, indecision, discontentment,

impatience, temptation and busyness. Readers will learn how to face these problems head on and get their life back on track.

**“Three Times Blessed”**, a Belles of Timber Creek book, by Lori Copeland. Typically, Thunder Ridge, Texas is dry as a bone, but Audrey Pride has arrived under a storm cloud, one that is deluging the shocked community with weeks of relentless drenching rain. Travel is impossible and an epidemic of violent illness keeps Audrey caring for the sick nearly every waking hour. Yet her thoughts keep returning to the attractive widower Eli Gray. Now as their town sags under the crushing weight of water and disease, Audrey and Eli will have to depend on each other in ways they never imagined possible.

**“The Reassurance of Angels”**, stories of God’s Caregivers, edited by Phyllis Hobe. This is a Guideposts book in the COMFORT FROM BEYOND series and is a collection of true stories written by people who have been led out of sorrow and into joy by heavenly messengers. In times of sorrow and loss, we question how we can “get on with our lives” and live a life without someone we have loved. God sends angels to deal with our doubts and fears. We don’t always see them or hear them and when they are visible, we may recognize them as someone we have loved and lost. God assures us that we are not alone.

**“Doctor in Petticoats”**, a Sophie’s Daughters novel written by Mary Connealy. When nurse Beth McCallen survives a stagecoach accident, she finds out the derelict traveling

alongside her is a doctor and forces him to help tend the injured. Alex Buchanan, an army deserter, finds he can only care for the patients when Beth gives him courage – by yelling at him. Beth thinks he’s a lunatic when he proposed that they marry and work together in her hometown, but she feels she owes him for saving her own sister, so she agrees to marry him. And that’s when the real trouble begins. A murderous bounty hunter is on Alex’s trail. Not exactly the honeymoon of Beth’s dreams. Will doing the right thing, turning himself in and maybe facing a firing squad, cost him his wife – and his life?

There is a series of **four books called the Heirs of Anton** written by Susan K. Downs and Susan May Warren. Susan Warren served with her family as a missionary in Russia for eight years and Susan Downs traveled in Russia extensively as an adoption coordinator and the books are set in Russia.

#1 - **“Oksana”** begins in 1917 when revolution threatens to destroy the Romanov dynasty. Imperial Tsar Nikolai gives a sacred trust and royal command to Anton Klassen. When he finds out the dangerous secret Oksana harbors, will he find the courage to fulfill his mission or will he abdicate his responsibility and destroy Oksana’s

future? Only faith in the promises of God can save the Heirs of Anton.

#2 - **“Marina”** takes place in 1941. Widowed, pregnant and forced to fight for her basic needs as Hitler’s Third Reich invades Russia, Marina feels God has abandoned her. Aligning herself with partisans – and trusting the American OSS agent who leads them – may bring her early death. Will the sacrifices she makes for her country threaten her family’s legacy?

#3 - **“Ekaterina”** follows international conspiracy, unexpected treasure. and the powerful story of family. Watch the pieces of God’s perfect plan connect when one woman begins a search for answers.

#4 - **“Nadia”** takes place in 1970 and former CIA spy, Nadia “Hope” Moore is sneaking behind the Iron Curtain. She’s hoping to spring her estranged husband from a Russian gulag and prove to the CIA that Mickey Moore isn’t a traitor – at least, not to his country. Trapped in Cold War Russia, Nadia and her husband, both CIA agents, don’t know if they can trust anyone – even each other. Lots of intrigue!

**Happy Summer Reading  
from the Library Staff  
Helen Lefave, Barbara Jackson,  
Ann Ice, and Pat Barton**

**“THOUGHTS”**



1. If walking is good for your health, city postmen would be immortal.
2. A whale swims all day, only eats fish, drinks water, and is fat.
3. A rabbit runs and hops and only lives 15 years.
4. A tortoise doesn't run and does nothing, yet it lives for 450 years.



**And you want me to exercise? I don't think so!**



It's hard to imagine but before the next issue of Genesis is received "Hurricane Season" will be half over. Hurricane season starts June 1<sup>st</sup>. and ends November 30<sup>th</sup>.

The Weather channel has issued its forecast for the 2012 Atlantic hurricane season. This pre-season forecast calls for 11 named storms, 6 hurricanes, and 2 major hurricanes (Category 3 or higher). These forecast numbers are well below the average for the current active era from 1995 to 2011 (15 named storms, 8 hurricanes, 4 major hurricanes.) After very active tropical seasons in 2010 and 2011 they expect fewer storms to develop this hurricane season. The combination of much cooler North Atlantic Ocean temperatures and a trend towards El Nino conditions suggest a notable reduction in activity.

This is GOOD NEWS! Nevertheless these forecasts absolutely cannot accurately predict where or how many landfalls will occur and since we live in a hurricane prone area we need to be equally prepared every year regardless of the seasonal outlook. A classic example of the need to be prepared each year occurred in 1992. The season only produced six named storms and one sub-tropical storm. However one of those named storms was Hurricane Andrew which devastated South Florida as a

Category 5 hurricane. As the saying goes "It only takes one."

The three steps to disaster and emergency preparedness are:

- Develop a plan for what you and your family will do, before disaster strikes,
- Have a disaster supply kit so you're ready for an emergency, and
- Stay informed during severe weather.

An excellent source of emergency preparedness information is the Citrus County Sheriff's website: [www.sheriffcitrus.org](http://www.sheriffcitrus.org) Read the topic of the month: are you ready? It highlights the all-hazard and informational expo to be held at the National Guard Armory on May 19th. This event will be well worth the time to attend.

Once on the sheriff's home page click on Emergency Management at the top and view all of the information available on this web page, especially Disaster Before During and After.

Remember our goal is to protect our people and property Before, During, and After a disaster.

**Be prepared and stay safe.**

Bob MacKenzie Chairman,  
Disaster Response Committee



1 Helen Dresback Tom Smith Barbara Stoneman	10 Bernhard Diedrich Roger Evans	21 Roger Johnson Phyliss Nevins Karla Saylor William Stocker
2 Marie Chapman Carole Deyo-Fahl Dan Hurley	11 Howard Watson	22 Barbara Neurohr Verna Strout
3 Ann Eckman Marge Frazier Jim Green	12 Albert Carlson Sr. Priscilla Frederick	23 Krissy Brown Katherine Cornelius
4 Sheldon LaMountain Steffany Skelly Steve Skelly	13 Joan Clanfield Carroll Phillips	24 Mildred Beechman Robert Leaming
5 June Oltendorf	14 Venia Blankenbeckler Judy Evans Joyce Hesketh Barbara Kuhl Donald Wither	25 Joanna Miller
6 Walter Dilling Wilbourn Fowler Jeannine Love Sharon Miller Joyce Monigold	15 Wanda Chapman Terry Cornelius	27 Kari Amundson
7 Michael Rodgers Jr. Ruth Samuda	16 Arthur Stuckey Elizabeth Vaughn	28 Lorraine Angus Arden Sheaffer
8 George Black Jr.	17 Jeanette Cole Lois Schoch Robert Schwebes	29 Helen Hansen Virginia Pazian Judy Roberts
9 Faye Honderich Shirley Hunter	18 Mert Davis Dorothy Kelly Sharon Palmer	30 Carl Alexander Deborah Hargis Clara Speary
		31 Shirley Holland Branson Redding.

**ANSWERS TO THE 16 BOOKS OF BIBLE**

Hope all you serious puzzlers were able to find the answers to the Bible puzzle on page 23 of the April 2012 Genesis. If not, here they are:

1. Mark, 2. Luke, 3. Kings, 4. Acts, 5. Revelation, 6. James, 7. Ruth,
2. 8. Numbers, 9. Job, 10. Amos, 11. Esther, 12. Judges, 13. Titus,
14. Lamentations, 15. Hebrews, and the one that was omitted, 16. PETER.

**Wednesday 1**

7:00 Men's Prayer Group  
 9:30 Weight Watchers  
 9:30 YMCA Pilates  
 10:00 Siegel Bible  
 10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
 2:00 Spirit Heart  
 4:00 Prayer  
 5:15 Music  
 6:00 Bells  
 6:30 Youth Group  
 7:00 Choir

**Thursday 2**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
 1:30 Serendipity Women  
 7:00 Creative Worship  
 8:00 AA

**Friday 3****GENESIS DEADLINE**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
 9:30 YMCA Pilates  
 10:00 Wise Bible  
 10:30 YMCA Cardio  
 4:00 A/Video Rehearsal

**Saturday 4**

8:00 Saturday Sisters  
 9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
 10:30 Bereavement  
 10:30 God's Clods

**Sunday 5****COMMUNION SUNDAY**

**8:00 Traditional Worship**  
**9:00 Sunday School**  
**9:00-10:00 Hospitality**  
**10:00 EBADOC**  
**10:00 Traditional Worship**

**Monday 6**

8:00 Work Crew  
**8:30 Shine**  
 8:30 Tracking Committee  
 9:30 Visitation Committee  
 9:30 YMCA Cardio  
 10:00 Sacred Hour  
 10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
 1:00 ML Respite  
 4:00 Stephen Ministers

**Tuesday 7**

10:00 Staff Meeting  
 1:30 Stephen Ministers  
 3:00 Serendipity Bible  
 3:00 Stephen Ministers  
 5:30 Weight Watchers  
 7:00 Serendipity Bible

**Wednesday 8**

7:00 Men's Prayer Group  
 9:30 Weight Watchers  
 9:30 YMCA Pilates  
 10:00 Siegel Bible  
 10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
 1:00 Shawl Ministry  
 2:00 Spirit Heart  
 4:00 Prayer  
 5:15 Music  
 6:00 Bells  
 6:30 Youth Group  
 7:00 Choir

**Thursday 9**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
 8:00 AA

**Friday 10**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
 9:30 YMCA Pilates  
 10:00 Wise Bible  
 10:30 YMCA Cardio  
 4:00 A/Video Rehearsal

**Saturday 11**

**8:00 Serendipity P/cakes**  
 8:00 Saturday Sisters  
 9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
 10:30 Bereavement

**Sunday 12****DISCRETIONARY SUNDAY**

**8:00 Traditional Worship**  
**9:00 Sunday School**  
**9:00-10:00 Hospitality**  
**10:00 EBADOC**  
**10:00 Traditional Worship**

**Monday 13**

8:00 Work Crew  
**8:30 Shine**  
 8:30 Tracking Committee  
 9:30 Visitation Committee  
 9:30 YMCA Cardio  
 10:00 Sacred Hour  
 10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
 1:00 Alzheimer's Support  
 1:00 ML Respite

**Tuesday 14****7:00 ELECTION IN F/H**

10:00 Staff Meeting  
 2:00 Stewardship  
 3:00 Serendipity Bible  
 5:30 Weight Watchers  
 7:00 Serendipity Bible

**Wednesday 15**

7:00 Men's Prayer Group  
 9:30 Weight Watchers  
 9:30 YMCA Pilates  
 10:00 Siegel Bible  
 10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
 1:30 New Member Class  
 2:00 Spirit Heart  
 3:00 Staff/Parish Relations  
 4:00 Prayer  
 5:15 Music  
 6:00 Bells  
 6:30 Youth Group  
 7:00 Choir

**Thursday 16**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
 1:30 Serendipity Women  
**2:00 T-Tape Floor**  
 3:30 Trustees  
 7:00 Creative Worship  
 8:00 AA

**Friday 17**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
 9:30 YMCA Pilates  
 10:00 Wise Bible  
 10:30 YMCA Cardio  
**12:00 Rotary Set-Up F/H**  
 4:00 A/Video Rehearsal

## JULY 2012 BIRTHDAYS

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<p>1 Judith Busby Henry Sandlas III</p> <p>2 Lois Diedrich Dick Kern</p> <p>3 Mel Gordy Juliann Harry Janet Magamoll</p> <p>4 Juanita Sobolak</p> <p>7 Ann Sandstrom</p> <p>8 Elizabeth Olson</p> <p>9 Allen Millikin Bev Mulder</p> <p>10 Dorothy Collister</p>	<p>11 Marion Hamilton Helen LaBeau Andrew Merson Joan Miller</p> <p>12 Eileen Brown</p> <p>14 Norwood Speary</p> <p>15 Heidi Hilthron James Veronesi</p> <p>16 Joyce Ann Skelly</p> <p>17 Don Snedeker Todd Workman</p> <p>18 Bonnie Knapp Sue Price Marie Vainio</p>	<p>19 Joe Crawley Cleta Knapp Joan Spencer</p> <p>20 Jackie LaMountain</p> <p>21 Derek Benthusen Lee Knerr David Lambert Florence Sledd Joy Winder</p> <p>22 Jean Kirschner</p> <p>23 Dee Otto Nancy Pearo Ruby Raymond</p> <p>24 Ryan Selby Barbara Sunderland</p>	<p>25 Harley Lawrence</p> <p>26 Jesse Knight Vernon Tidswell</p> <p>27 Ed Masek</p> <p>28 Doris Feldmann</p> <p>29 Nancy Sheaffer</p> <p>30 Marylou Fisher Frances Graham.</p>
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TODAY, is the oldest you've ever been, yet the youngest you'll ever be. So.... enjoy this day while it lasts.

## *VISITATION NEEDS YOU!*

The Visitation Team Members visit those in the hospital, nursing homes, and the homebound, as a way to keep such members connected with the church and may help them with their spiritual needs. Sign up now to start this ministry in the fall.

There is a great need for volunteers at this time! Anyone who has an interest and would like to know more about this wonderful ministry is encouraged to contact Peggy Benson at the church office 628-4083, or at home.

**Sunday 1***COMMUNION SUNDAY*

**8:00 Traditional Worship**  
**9:00 Sunday School**  
**9:00-10:00 Hospitality**  
**10:00 EBADOC**  
**10:00 Traditional Worship**  
**2:30 Nature Coast CBand**

**Monday 2**

8:00 Work Crew  
**8:30 Shine**  
 8:30 Tracking Committee  
 9:30 Visitation Committee  
 9:30 YMCA Cardio  
 10:00 Sacred Hour  
 10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
 1:00 ML Respite  
 4:00 Stephen Ministers

**Tuesday 3**

10:00 Staff Meeting  
 12:00 Weight Watchers  
 1:30 Stephen Ministries  
 3:00 Serendipity Bible  
 3:00 Stephen Ministries  
 5:30 Weight Watchers  
 7:00 Serendipity Bible

**Wednesday 4**

**7:00 Men's Prayer Group**  
**9:30 Weight Watchers**  
**9:30 YMCA Pilates**  
**10:00 Siegel Bible**  
**10:30 YMCA Strength**  
**2:00 Spirit Heart**  
**4:00 Prayer**  
**6:30 Youth Group**

**Thursday 5**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
 1:30 Serendipity Women  
 7:00 Creative Worship  
 8:00 AA

**Friday 6**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
 9:30 YMCA Pilates  
 10:00 Wise Bible  
 10:30 YMCA Cardio  
 4:00 A/Video Rehearsal

**Saturday 7**

8:00 Saturday Sisters  
 9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
 10:30 Bereavement  
 10:30 God's Clods

**Sunday 8***DISCRETIONARY SUNDAY*

**8:00 Traditional Worship**  
**9:00 Sunday School**  
**9:00-10:00 Hospitality**  
**10:00 EBADOC**  
**10:00 Traditional Worship**

**Monday 9**

8:00 Work Crew  
**8:30 Shine**  
 8:30 Tracking Committee  
 9:30 Visitation Committee  
 9:30 YMCA Cardio  
 10:00 Sacred Hour  
 10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
 1:00 Alzheimer's Support  
 1:00 ML Respite

**Tuesday 10**

10:00 Staff Meeting  
 2:00 Stewardship  
 3:00 Serendipity Bible  
 5:30 Weight Watchers  
 7:00 Serendipity Bible

**Wednesday 11**

7:00 Men's Prayer Group  
 9:30 Weight Watchers  
 9:30 YMCA Pilates  
 10:00 Siegel Bible  
 10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
 1:00 Shawl Ministry  
 2:00 Spirit Heart  
 4:00 Prayer  
 6:30 Youth Group

**Thursday 12**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
 8:00 AA

**Friday 13**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
 9:30 YMCA Pilates  
 10:00 Wise Bible  
 10:30 YMCA Cardio  
 4:00 A/Video Rehearsal

**Saturday 14**

**8:00 Serendipity P/cakes**  
 8:00 Saturday Sisters  
 9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
 10:30 Bereavement

**Sunday 15***PANTRY SUNDAY*

**7:45 BLOOD MOBILE**  
**8:00 Traditional Worship**  
**9:00 Sunday School**  
**9:00-10:00 Hospitality**  
**10:00 EBADOC**  
**10:00 Traditional Worship**

**Monday 16**

8:00 Work Crew  
**8:30 Shine**  
 8:30 Tracking Committee  
 9:30 Visitation Committee  
 9:30 YMCA Cardio  
 10:00 Sacred Hour  
 10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
 1:00 ML Respite  
 4:00 Stephen Ministers



## JUNE 2012 BIRTHDAYS

2  
Emma Christensen  
Jeanne Comfort  
3  
Dermot Samuda  
Alma Zimmerman  
5  
Claudette Kirby  
6  
Richard Dulaney  
Helga Squires  
Leon Wells  
7  
Mary Cannon  
John Gibbs  
Eugene Spuhler  
8  
Ray Fisher  
9  
Carolyn Custer  
Eleanor Hoeffler  
Virginia Mangels  
Nancy Nehring  
12  
Jim Love  
13  
William Parks  
14  
Wayne Brown  
Linda Gordy  
Phyllis Peters  
Esther Stobierski  
15  
Althea Stuckey  
16  
Charles Blair  
Robert Bosley  
Marleigh Gordon  
John Lawrey  
Irene Stone  
Stan Zawacki  
17  
Patience Nave  
Alex Stevens

18  
Robert Bellcase  
Lucille Meewes  
Regina Parks  
19  
Lavonne Brennan  
Paul Herr  
Larry Vainio  
Charlie Wade  
20  
Grace Lam-Sheikh  
21  
Miriam Currier  
Charlotte Ohlhorst  
22  
Dickee Desimone  
Floyd Sims  
23  
Yvonne Beck  
Gene Harry  
Jimmi Reichard  
Ralph Siegel  
24  
Angie Gordon  
25  
Maria Briggs  
Rosalie Haynes  
Ronald Hesketh  
Cranie Koellhoffer  
26  
Lee Bast  
Jeffrey Post  
27  
Diane Gibbs  
Jynetha Montgomery  
28  
William Brobst  
Andrea Pirkle  
29  
Allene Misunas  
Harvey Oltendorf  
30  
Bob Bunting  
Fred Small.

## IN OUR PRAYERS 17

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### BRENTWOOD

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### SUNFLOWER SPRINGS

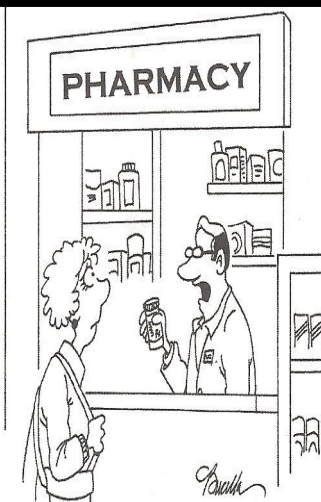
Ruth Eaton

Fran Graham

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Abbye Jean & Bill Richner

Catherine Wisheart.



"You may experience irritability and pain in the hands and wrist...and that's just from trying to get the cap off."

**Friday 1**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
 9:30 YMCA Pilates  
 10:00 Wise Bible  
 10:30 YMCA Cardio  
 4:00 A/Video Rehearsal

**Saturday 2**

8:00 Saturday Sisters  
 9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
 10:30 Bereavement  
 10:30 God's Clods

**1:00 Youth Training**

**3:00 LOCK-IN**

**Sunday 3**

*COMMUNION SUNDAY*

**8:00 Traditional Worship**

**9:00 Sunday School**

**9:00-10:00 Hospitality**

**10:00 EBADOC**

**10:00 Traditional Worship**

**Monday 4**

**8:30 Vacation Bible Sch.**

8:00 Work Crew

**8:30 Shine**

8:30 Tracking Committee

9:30 Visitation Committee

9:30 YMCA Cardio

10:00 Sacred Hour

10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength

1:00 ML Respite

4:00 Stephen Ministers

**Tuesday 5**

**8:30 Vacation Bible Sch.**

10:00 Staff Meeting

1:30 Stephen Ministers

3:00 Serendipity Bible

3:00 Stephen Ministers

5:30 Weight Watchers

7:00 Serendipity Bible

**Wednesday 6**

**8:30 Vacation Bible Sch.**

7:00 Men's Prayer Group

9:30 Weight Watchers

9:30 YMCA Pilates

10:00 Siegel Bible

10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength

2:00 Spirit Heart

4:00 PRAYER

**Thursday 7**

**8:30 Vacation Bible Sch.**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)

1:30 Serendipity Women

2:00 Green Team

3:00 PEC

8:00 AA

**Friday 8**

**8:30 Vacation Bible Sch.**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)

9:30 YMCA Pilates

10:00 Wise Bible

10:30 YMCA Cardio

4:00 A/Video Rehearsal

**Saturday 9**

**8:00 Serendipity P/cakes**

8:00 Saturday Sisters

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)

10:30 Bereavement

**Sunday 10**

*DISCRETIONARY SUNDAY*

**8:00 Traditional Worship**

**9:00 Sunday School**

**9:00-10:00 Hospitality**

**10:00 EBADOC**

**10:00 Traditional Worship**

**1:30 Gaither Movie**

**Monday 11**

8:00 Work Crew

**8:30 Shine**

8:30 Tracking Committee

9:30 Visitation Committee

9:30 YMCA Cardio

10:00 Sacred Hour

10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength

1:00 Alzheimer's Support

1:00 ML Respite

**Tuesday 12**

**8:00 Alzheimer's Bus**

**8:30 Yth. Holy Land trip**

10:00 Staff Meeting

2:00 Stewardship

3:00 Serendipity Bible

5:30 Weight Watchers

7:00 Serendipity Bible

**Wednesday 13**

**6:30 Rehearsal**

7:00 Men's Prayer Group

9:30 Weight Watchers

9:30 YMCA Pilates

10:00 Siegel Bible

10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength

**12:00 Health Fair Set-Up**

1:00 Shawl Ministry

2:00 Spirit Heart

**4:00 PRAYER**

6:30 Youth Group

**Thursday 14**

**A/CONF-LAKELAND**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)

**9:00 HEALTH FAIR**

8:00 AA

**Friday 15**

**A/CONF-LAKELAND**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)

9:30 YMCA Pilates

10:00 Wise Bible

10:30 YMCA Cardio

4:00 A/Video Rehearsal

**Saturday 16**

**A/CONF-LAKELAND**

8:00 Saturday Sisters

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)

10:30 Bereavement

**Sunday 17**

**FATHER'S DAY**

**PANTRY SUNDAY**

**10:00 Traditional Worship**

**Diabetic Group**

**Will not meet**

**This summer  
per Karen!**

**Mark's Farewell**

**Monday 18**

8:00 Work Crew  
8:30 Shine  
8:30 Tracking Committee  
9:30 Visitation Committee  
9:30 YMCA Cardio  
10:00 Sacred Hour  
10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
1:00 ML Respite  
4:00 Stephen Ministers

**Tuesday 19**

1:30 Stephen Ministers  
2:00 Finance Committee  
3:00 Serendipity Bible  
3:00 Stephen Ministers  
5:30 Weight Watchers  
7:00 Serendipity Bible

**Wednesday 20**

7:00 Men's Prayer Group  
9:30 Weight Watchers  
9:30 YMCA Pilates  
10:00 Siegel Bible  
10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
2:00 Spirit Heart  
3:00 Staff/Parish Relations  
4:00 PRAYER  
6:30 Youth Group

**Thursday 21**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
1:30 Serendipity Women  
3:30 Trustees  
8:00 AA

**Friday 22**

**COUNCIL REPORTS DUE**  
9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
9:00 Our Father's Table  
9:30 YMCA Pilates  
10:00 Wise Bible  
10:30 YMCA Cardio  
4:00 A/Video Rehearsal

**Saturday 23**

8:00 Saturday Sisters  
9:00 CPR training  
9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
10:30 Bereavement

**Sunday 24**

8:00 Traditional Worship  
9:00 Sunday School  
9:00-10:00 Hospitality  
10:00 EBADOC  
10:00 Traditional Worship

**Monday 25**

8:00 Work Crew  
8:30 Shine  
8:30 Tracking Committee  
9:30 Visitation Committee  
9:30 YMCA Cardio  
10:00 Sacred Hour  
10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
1:00 ML Respite

**Tuesday 26**

3:00 Serendipity Bible  
5:30 Weight Watchers  
7:00 Serendipity Bible

**Wednesday 27**

7:00 Men's Prayer Group  
9:30 Weight Watchers  
9:30 YMCA Pilates  
10:00 Siegel Bible  
10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
1:00 Shawl Ministry  
2:00 Spirit Heart  
4:00 Prayer  
6:30 Youth Group

**Thursday 28**

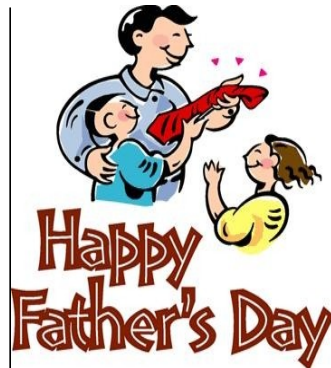
9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
7:00 COUNCIL  
8:00 AA

**Friday 29**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
9:30 YMCA Pilates  
10:00 Wise Bible  
10:30 YMCA Cardio  
4:00 A/Video Rehearsal

**Saturday 30**

8:00 Saturday Sisters  
9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
10:30 Bereavement.



**NOTICE**

Make this issue a "centerfold" pullout!

1st, pull out this page that has the June calendar on it to put it near your regular calendar! Be sure to note the information on the backside as well.

Then do the same with the July calendar, then August as well.

This can also be done with the monthly issues....it will keep all your important dates together.

Hope it works for you; have a great summer! Mary Lee

1  
Marie & Ron Witham  
~ 16 years ~

2  
Juanita & Stan Sobolak  
~ 30 years ~

3  
Marie & Ted  
Archambault  
~ 62 years ~  
Bunny & Charlie Wade  
~ 63 years ~

4  
Marion & Paul Herr  
~ 6 years ~

Joyce & Ronald  
Hesketh  
~ 52 years ~

6  
Angie & Charles  
Gordon  
~ 18 years ~

Syble & William Little  
~ 64 years ~

7  
Jane & Jimmy  
Hamilton  
~ 15 years ~

Bev & Jack Mulder  
~ 54 years ~

Phyllis & Charles  
Peters  
~ 26 years ~

Andrea & David Pirke  
~ 49 years ~

8  
Sue & Thomas Cloyd  
~ 67 years ~

9  
Pat & Merlyn Hoar  
~ 56 years ~

12  
Shelby & Julian  
Weingarten  
~ 54 years ~

15  
Clara & Norwood  
Speary  
~ 67 years ~

16  
Annie & Art Carl  
~ 61 years ~

17  
Gloria & David  
Marquis  
~ 17 years ~

Marian & Henry  
Sandlas  
~ 62 years ~

18  
Emily & Robert  
Russell  
~ 46 years ~

Mary Ellen & Frank  
Wais  
~ 52 years ~

19  
Rusty & Gene Harry  
~ 46 years ~

Marilyn & Leon Wells  
~ 48 years ~



20  
JoAnn & John Guthrie  
~ 53 years ~

Barbara & Richard  
Hartley  
~ 63 years ~

21  
Nelva & Raymond  
Clemans  
~ 9 years ~

Marylou & Ray Fisher  
~ 10 years ~

Joan & Jack Ness  
~ 60 years ~

June & Harvey  
Oltendorf  
~ 54 years ~

22  
Marcia & Richard  
Bader  
~ 60 years ~

Beverly & Edward  
Calkins  
~ 27 years ~

24  
Charlene & William  
Murray  
~ 24 years ~

Sandra & Gary Partin  
~ 34 years ~

25  
Gene & Burnie McGee  
~ 54 years ~

29  
Barbara & Dave Shores  
~ 49 years ~

**Tuesday 17**

10:00 Staff Meeting  
1:30 Stephen Ministers  
2:00 Finance Committee  
3:00 Serendipity Bible  
3:00 Stephen Ministers  
5:30 Weight Watchers  
7:00 Serendipity Bible

**Wednesday 18**

7:00 Men's Prayer Group  
9:30 Weight Watchers  
9:30 YMCA Pilates  
10:00 Siegel Bible  
10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
1:30 New Member Class  
2:00 Spirit Heart  
3:00 Staff/Parish Relations  
4:00 Prayer  
6:30 Youth Group

**Thursday 19**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
1:30 Serendipity Women  
3:30 Trustees  
7:00 Creative Worship  
8:00 AA

**Friday 20**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
9:30 YMCA Pilates  
10:00 Wise Bible  
10:30 YMCA Cardio  
4:00 A/Video Rehearsal

**Saturday 21**

8:00 Saturday Sisters  
9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
10:30 Bereavement

**Sunday 22**

**NEW MEMBER SUNDAY**  
**8:00 Traditional Worship**  
**9:00 Sunday School**  
**9:00-10:00 Hospitality**  
**10:00 EBADOC**  
**10:00 Traditional Worship**

**Monday 23**

8:00 Work Crew  
**8:30 Shine**  
8:30 Tracking Committee  
9:30 Visitation Committee  
9:30 YMCA Cardio  
10:00 Sacred Hour  
10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
1:00 ML Respite

**Tuesday 24**

10:00 Staff Meeting  
3:00 Serendipity Bible  
5:30 Weight Watchers  
7:00 Serendipity Bible

**Wednesday 25**

7:00 Men's Prayer Group  
9:30 Weight Watchers  
9:30 YMCA Pilates  
10:00 Siegel Bible  
10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
1:00 Shawl Ministry  
2:00 Spirit Heart  
4:00 Prayer  
6:30 Youth Group

**Thursday 26**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
8:00 AA

**Friday 27**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
9:00 Our Father's Table  
9:30 YMCA Pilates  
10:00 Wise Bible  
10:30 YMCA Cardio  
4:00 A/Video Rehearsal

**Saturday 28**

8:00 Saturday Sisters  
9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
10:30 Bereavement

**Sunday 29**

*Children's Home Sunday*  
**8:00 Traditional Worship**  
**9:00 Sunday School**  
**9:00-10:00 Hospitality**  
**10:00 EBADOC**  
**10:00 Traditional Worship**

**Monday 30**

8:00 Work Crew  
**8:30 Shine**  
8:30 Tracking Committee  
9:30 Visitation Committee  
9:30 YMCA Cardio  
10:00 Sacred Hour  
10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
1:00 ML Respite

**Tuesday 31**

10:00 Staff Meeting  
3:00 Serendipity Bible  
5:30 Weight Watchers  
7:00 Serendipity Bible.



**WHATEVER  
YOU DO...**

Always give 100%,  
unless you are  
donating blood!

**22 JULY 2012 ANNIVERSARIES**

**4**  
Krissy & Wayne Brown  
~ 14 years ~

**6**  
Carolyn & Joe Crawley  
~ 42 years ~

**7**  
Carolyn & Jim Roth  
~ 50 years ~

**8**  
Dorothy & Jack Graham  
~ 45 years ~  
  
Hazel & Conrad  
Keniston  
~ 7 years ~

**10**  
Lisa & Bob Specht  
~ 18 years

**11**  
Alice & Ed Carnahan  
56 years

Mary Lee & Allen  
Millikin  
~ 53 years ~

**13**  
Kim & Allen Bennett  
~ 21 years ~

Lucille & Delmar  
Meewes  
~ 60 years ~

**15**  
Sharon & Rodney Palmer  
~ 31 years ~

**17**  
Rita & Tony Hren  
~ 41 years ~

**20**  
Mallise & John Crawford  
~ 10 years ~

Pamela & Paul Patton  
~ 28 years ~

**22**  
Jeanne & Dene Balmer  
~ 12 years ~

Carol & Floyd Sims  
~ 51 years ~

Deborah & Katee Hargis  
~ 26 years ~

**27**  
Patricia & Mark Cram  
~ 53 years ~

Carroll & John  
Lunceford  
~ 55 years ~

**28**  
Doris & Julius Kertesz  
~ 56 years ~

**31**  
Nancy & Karl Amundson  
~ 30 years ~

Janet & Howard Watson  
~ 47 years ~.



**IN OUR PRAYERS**

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Marge Dilling

Joanna Miller

Grace Payne

**SUNFLOWER**

**SPRINGS**

Ruth Eaton

Fran Graham

Joan & Jack Ness

Abbye Jean & Bill

Richner

Catherine Wisehart.

**Long warm days...**

**The pace of life slows...**

**A time for picnics and  
rest in the shade...**

**Lord, help me to  
rest a while in the  
cooling shade of your  
presence.**

**Slow down my  
restless heart and fill  
me with gentle  
compassion for all  
your people.**

**Amen**

**Saturday 18**

8:00 Saturday Sisters  
9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
**9:00 ROTARY FAIR**  
10:30 Bereavement

**Sunday 19**

***PANTRY SUNDAY***

**8:00 Traditional Worship**  
**9:00 Sunday School**  
**9:00-10:00 Hospitality**  
**10:00 EBADOC**  
**10:00 Traditional Worship**

**Monday 20**

8:00 Work Crew  
**8:30 Shine**  
8:30 Tracking Committee  
**9:00 Safe Driving Class**  
9:30 Visitation Committee  
9:30 YMCA Cardio  
10:00 Sacred Hour  
10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
1:00 ML Respite  
4:00 Stephen Ministers

**Tuesday 21**

**9:00 Safe Driving Class**  
10:00 Staff Meeting  
1:30 Stephen Ministers  
2:00 Finance Committee  
3:00 Serendipity Bible  
3:00 Stephen Ministers  
5:30 Weight Watchers  
7:00 Serendipity Bible

**Wednesday 22**

7:00 Men's Prayer Group  
9:30 Weight Watchers  
9:30 YMCA Pilates  
10:00 Siegel Bible  
10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
1:00 Shawl Ministry  
2:00 Spirit Heart  
4:00 Prayer  
5:15 Music  
6:00 Bells  
6:30 Youth Group  
7:00 Choir

**Thursday 23**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
**9:00 FOLD/MAIL**  
8:00 AA

**Friday 24**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
9:00 Our Father's Table  
9:30 YMCA Pilates  
10:00 Wise Bible  
10:30 YMCA Cardio  
4:00 A/Video Rehearsal

**Saturday 25**

8:00 Saturday Sisters  
9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
10:30 Bereavement

**Sunday 26**

***NEW MEMBER SUNDAY***

**8:00 Traditional Worship**  
**9:00 Sunday School**  
**9:00-10:00 Hospitality**  
**10:00 EBADOC**  
**10:00 Traditional Worship**

**Monday 27**

8:00 Work Crew  
**8:30 Shine**  
8:30 Tracking Committee  
9:30 Visitation Committee  
9:30 YMCA Cardio  
10:00 Sacred Hour  
10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
1:00 ML Respite

**Tuesday 28**

10:00 Staff Meeting  
3:00 Serendipity Bible  
5:30 Weight Watchers  
7:00 Serendipity Bible

**Wednesday 29**

7:00 Men's Prayer Group  
9:30 Weight Watchers  
9:30 YMCA Pilates  
10:00 Siegel Bible  
10:30 YMCA Stab/Strength  
2:00 Spirit Heart  
4:00 Prayer

5:15 Music  
6:00 Bells  
6:30 Youth Group  
7:00 Choir

**Thursday 30**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
8:00 AA

**Friday 31**

9:00-Noon (Thrift Store)  
9:30 YMCA Pilates  
10:00 Wise Bible  
10:30 YMCA Cardio  
4:00 A/Video Rehearsal.

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Richner

Carolyn Wisheart.

<p><u>2</u> Barbara &amp; Larry Sunderland ~ 9 years ~</p> <p><u>6</u> Mary Kay &amp; Ed Messenger ~ 20 years ~</p> <p><u>7</u> Shirley &amp; Allan Hunter ~ 19 years ~</p> <p>Jean &amp; Tom Kirschner ~ 36 years ~</p> <p><u>9</u> Paula &amp; George Black ~ 1 year ~</p> <p><u>10</u> Sharon &amp; Robert Berch ~ 52 years ~</p> <p><u>11</u> Holli &amp; David Benthusen ~ 28 years ~</p> <p><u>12</u> Mary &amp; Robert Severance ~ 57 years ~</p> <p><u>14</u> Judy &amp; Patrick O'Gorman ~ 47 years ~</p>	<p><u>14</u> Vicky &amp; Jeffrey Post ~ 7 years ~</p> <p><u>16</u> Tamara &amp; Dennis Borrás ~ 28 years ~</p> <p><u>17</u> Nancy &amp; Arden Sheaffer ~ 55 years ~</p> <p><u>18</u> Abbye Jean &amp; Bill Richner ~ 24 years ~</p> <p><u>19</u> Alice &amp; Bill Williamson ~ 56 years ~</p> <p><u>21</u> Pat &amp; William Schuessler ~ 41 years ~</p> <p><u>22</u> Pat &amp; Harold Layman ~ 44 years ~</p> <p><u>24</u> Betty &amp; Robert Boekholder ~ 44 years ~</p> <p>Sandra &amp; John Dewart ~ 35 years ~</p> <p>Lois &amp; Ralph Pohlman ~ 55 years ~</p>	<p><u>27</u> Judy &amp; James Roberts ~ 28 years ~</p> <p>Helen &amp; Robert Schwebes ~ 57 years ~</p> <p><u>28</u> Carol &amp; Bob MacKenzie ~ 47 years ~</p> <p><u>29</u> Carolyn &amp; Rolland Custer ~ 53 years ~</p> <p>Theresa &amp; Randy Weber ~ 14 years ~</p> <p>Iris &amp; Mark Whittaker ~ 42 years ~</p> <p><u>30</u> Pat &amp; Dick Kern ~ 30 years ~</p> <p>Janet &amp; Fred Small ~ 55 years ~</p> <p><u>31</u> Sue &amp; Jim Price ~ 55 years ~</p> <p>Ruth &amp; Phillip Rittgers ~ 55 years ~ .</p>
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### UMW NEWS

NO SCHEDULED CIRCLE MEETINGS - JUNE, JULY, AUGUST!

NO SCHEDULED UNIT MEETINGS FOR SUMMER!

DITTY BAGS: Please continue checking the display board in the  
Narthex for items to be purchased this summer.

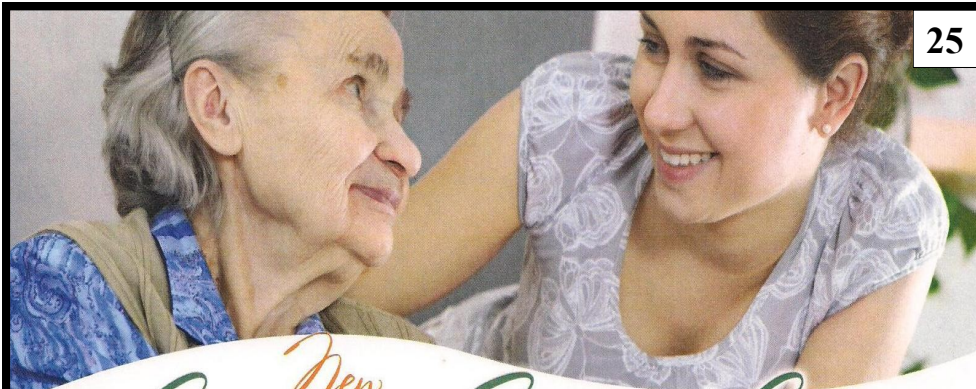
UMW SUNDAY WILL BE SEPTEMBER 16th.

For further information, please contact Pat Blake.



United Methodist  
Women





# *New* Caregiver Support Group

**Let Us Help you Catch your Breath!**

If you are caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's disease or dementia, you may appreciate a safe retreat where you can unwind and share feelings with other caregivers in a relaxed and confidential setting. HPH Hospice (HPH) is proud to offer monthly Caregiver Support Groups for anyone who finds themselves in this challenging role.

It doesn't matter whether your loved one is under hospice care – all caregivers are welcome and the support group is free. Plus, the group will be facilitated by an HPH clinical social worker (MSW) who you'll get to know and trust.

**2nd Monday of every month • 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.**

First United Methodist Church of Homosassa  
8831 West Bradshaw St.  
Homosassa, FL 34448

Attention Karen Kline: 352-628-4083

*"Memory Lane" Respite care available every Monday*

Sponsored by



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**First United Methodist Church  
of Homosassa, Florida**

**For more information, call HPH Hospice at 527-4600**

**Hear Ye!  
Hear Ye!**

## READ THE LATEST NEWS ON THE FALL BAZAAR!!

Scheduled for both **Friday & Saturday, November 2 & 3** (be sure to mark your calendars.) Hot dogs, chips, & drinks for **lunch on Friday** served from the kitchen. A special **hot offering on Saturday** with sit down seating. Be sure to watch for more details about getting your tickets for these luncheons.

**ATTENTION GARDENERS** - The newest feature for 2012 will be the Plant & Garden Shoppe. We will need rooted cuttings and/or small container grown plants. New or gently used gardening items will add to the flavor, and a section for herbs WOULD be nice too.

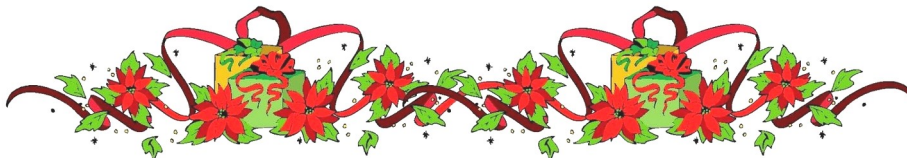
If you would like to help, but do not have a green thumb, a small donation for the purchase of plants or supplies would be appreciated. Contact Carol MacKenzie 382-8926, or Dee Green 382-4402(H) or 220-0291(cell), for further information!

We still are looking for folks who **sew, knit or crochet**.....it's not too early to work on projects for both the Craft Shoppe and the Kitchen Shoppe. We will also need donations of both **cookies and baked goods**. Further details to follow.

**Book donations are well underway.** Andy Frederick is your contact at 212-5272. He's looking to top the 2011 total of 2800 total books. He tells us he already has 600-800 books and he has just started collecting!

More news to follow soon about our **Silent Auction**. We already have some great items that have been donated that will fit everyone's pocket book and give you a head start on holiday shopping!

**Lastly and most important of all.....we need EVERYONE'S help in promoting this to family, friends, and neighbors, and spreading the news that the 2012 bazaar will be "bigger and better"!**



## THE DEVIL AND



## THE DUCK



There was a little boy visiting his grandparents on their farm. He was given a slingshot to play with out in the woods. He practiced in the woods; but he could never hit the target. Getting a little discouraged, he headed back for dinner. As he was walking back he saw Grandma's pet duck. Just out of impulse, he let the slingshot fly, hit the duck square in the head and killed it. He was shocked and grieved! In a panic, he hid the dead duck in the wood pile; only to see his Sister watching! Sally had seen it all, but she said nothing.

After lunch the next day Grandma said, 'Sally, let's wash the dishes'. But Sally said, 'Grandma, Johnny told me he wanted to help in the kitchen..' Then she whispered to him, "Remember the duck?" So Johnny did the dishes.

Later that day, Grandpa asked if the children wanted to go fishing and Grandma said, 'I'm sorry but I need Sally to help make supper.' Sally just smiled and said, 'well that's all right because Johnny told me he wanted to help? She whispered again, "Remember the duck?" So Sally went fishing and Johnny stayed to help.

After several days of **27**

Johnny doing both his chores and Sally's; he finally couldn't stand it any longer. He came to Grandma and confessed that he had killed the duck. Grandma knelt down, gave him a hug and said, 'Sweetheart, I know. You see, I was standing at the window and I saw the whole thing, but because I love you, I forgave you. I was just wondering how long you would let Sally make a slave of you.'

**Thought for the day and every day thereafter:** Whatever is in your past, whatever you have done... And the devil keeps throwing it up in your face (lying, cheating, debt, fear, bad habits, hatred, anger, bitterness, etc.)... whatever it is.... You need to know that: God was standing at the window and He saw the whole thing. He has seen your whole life... He wants you to know that He loves you and that He will forgive you. He's just wondering how long you will let the devil make a slave of you. The great thing about God is that when you ask for forgiveness; He not only forgives you, but He forgets.

**It is by God's grace and mercy that we are saved. Go ahead and make the difference in someone's life today. Share this with a friend and always remember: God is at the window! When Jesus died on the cross; he was thinking of you!**

# alzheimer's association™

## Memory Mobile



**Information on Alzheimer's disease**  
**Referrals to community resources**  
**Care management consultation**  
**Memory Screenings**  
**Alzheimer's Caregiver Training**

All services are **FREE**. No appointment necessary.

**Where: First United Methodist Church**  
**8831 W. Bradshaw Blvd**  
**Homosassa, FL 34448**

**Date: Tuesday, June 12, 2012**

**Times: 10 AM to 4 PM**

**For more information, contact:**  
**First United Methodist Church**  
**(352) 628-4083**

**APRIL NEW MEMBERS**

**BRIAN BUNBURY  
SANDRA TREMBLAY**  
10832 W Halls River Rd  
Homosassa 34448



352-503-2559

from: Pinellas Park FL

Brian was born 12/28 in Madison, WI and has lived in FL since 1981. He is in the construction business.

Sandra was born 10/2 in Manchester CT, but raised in Springfield MA. She has lived in FL since 1994. She is a Medical Assistant and has 3 children, ages 23, 14, & 12.

**STACEY JUSTICE**  
Homosassa 34448



352-503-2043

Stacey was born 11/21 in New Jersey, and has lived in FL since 1988.

She owns her business (Citrus Clean Team), as well as attending college.

She says “she is glad to be a member of 1st UMC and looks forward to helping with ministries in the future.”

**LLOYD & MARLENE POND**  
3927 W Fieldwood Ct  
Lecanto 34461

352-746-5244

Transfer from  
Inverness UMC



Lloyd was born December 31 in Kalamazoo, MI.

Marlene was born May 3rd in Grand Rapids, MI. They were married 12/19/82 in Schoolcraft, MI and they have lived in FL since 2000.

Marlene says “we were former members and are very glad to be back in 1st UMC.”

**JENNIFER GIBBAR**  
5461 S. Alice Point  
Homosassa 34446



352-212-5589

from: Reynoldsburg, Ohio

Jennifer was born 3/19 in New Jersey, and has lived in FL since 1988.

She works for Citrus Co. Road Maintenance.



*Goodbyes are not forever.  
Goodbyes are not the end.  
They simply mean we'll miss you,  
Until we meet again!*

**HARVEY & JUNE OLTENDORF**  
722 White Oak Drive  
Fairview, TN 37062



**Dear praying friends,**

With only 1½ months left until we leave Thailand (on June 17), we are winding down a lot of ministries and covet your prayers that we will “finish well” here. *“I consider my life worth nothing to me; my only aim is to finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me” – Acts 20:24.*

**Praises**

✠ Our **area conference** (for workers in Thailand and Burma) that we spent almost a year planning went well, with a challenging speaker, worshipful music, lots of fun and practical workshops. The venue did a great job hosting us, and it also was a good chance for PIONEERS workers to be encouraged by each other (\*picture at bottom of page.) Praise God for the SiAM Area’s 65 adults and 59 children!

✠ Our **teammates** Andrew and

*“Mae Ai”*

Melissa Peterson along with their four children arrived from New Zealand and went with us to visit their new ministry

partner, Pastor Moses, in northern Thailand near the border with Burma. The Petersons already have a truck, a house to rent and a language teacher, so they will move up there in the next week. Please pray for a smooth transition, for language learning, for homeschooling, and for wisdom in ministry.

✠ Praise God that we are close to **accepting an offer to serve in ministry** at the PIONEERS U.S. office in Orlando, Fla.! Please pray for wisdom as we continue discussions concerning this opportunity. We are praying that the Lord will allow us to continue to serve in helping to reach the unreached via PIONEERS and are humbled by this offer.

✠ This month’s **cultural photo** is *“HOME Team.”*



area conference

While at the area conference, our team took a photo of all the members who were in attendance. The exciting part is that the team now has members from the U.S., Australia, New Zealand and Thailand. Praise God for the way that He is moving to make PIONEERS a more “international” organization! We look forward to seeing many more cultures represented on this team and others in the coming years.

#### Prayers

✠ We have begun the process of **sorting, packing and tossing things** (yet again) as we prepare to move permanently back to the U.S. We also will have a final yard sale on May 19. Please pray for us: 1) to be wise in closing down our lives here; 2) to make wise decisions about how to quickly ramp up life in the U.S. as we hope to have a house, car, medical care and homeschooling moving forward by August; and 3) to keep our financial support base intact as we will continue to be supported (not paid) if we serve at the PIONEERS U.S. office as anticipated.

✠ The **final Thai partner we need to visit** is in *Sisaket*, which is 600 miles from *Chiang Mai* in the southeast region near the border with Cambodia. We will visit Pastor *Witaya* and his family and church on May 4-6 along with another PIONEERS couple who plan to start a team in that region of the country. Please pray for good connections and for wisdom in this possible new ministry partnership. If this team takes on the *Sisaket* church as a partner, then all our team partnerships would be covered prior to our departure, which would be a huge answer to prayer.

✠ Please pray for **Randy Harris** as he and his family will return from

the U.S. in early June to take over leadership of The HOME Team. Pray for a fruitful transition in leadership and for God to use Randy’s gifts to grow the team in new and exciting ways. Pray also for PIONEERS leadership here as they seek to replace Joe with a new Area Leader for Thailand/Burma and a new chairman for the PIONEERS foundation in Thailand.

✠ Please pray for **Brittany (junior) and Justin (freshman)** to wrap up the school year well at Columbia International University (S.C.) this month. They have many tests and papers due. Brittany will continue to work in Columbia through the summer, while Justin will be with Joe’s parents and us in Florida.

Until all have heard, Joe, Elaine, Brittany, Justin, Caleb & Jamie

**Did You Know.....**that Mississippi is the “most religious” state in the U.S.? A Gallup poll that asked who is “very religious” found that the “Bible Belt” is aptly named, as every state (other than Utah) with “above average religiosity” is in a swath of states from Texas to North Carolina. The poll found that 70% of Americans are at least moderately religious. Not surprisingly, New England ranks lowest in this survey. Does that make it the “Material Belt,” perhaps?!? Check out this article at <http://www.theblaze.com/stories/gallup-these-are-the-top-5-most-religious-least-religious-states/> for more details.



**What started out as an ordinary work day**, turned into a day we could never have imagined! We had succeeded in completing the remodeling of the kitchen and kid's room at the building before Easter, however, we still had cabinets to hang and it was time to clean the territory outside. It was a warm and sunny day and many had come to help with the work. The major chores now complete, we were washing all the dishes and shelves that had collected dust from the major remodeling! Then we received the call.....one of the young boys (age 17) had been with his brother collecting bricks to sell at one of the



many abandoned buildings. For some reason, he had climbed onto what was left of the roof. Details are fuzzy, we only know that the wall gave and the roof fell crushing this boy from the waist down. Unable to get the concrete and bricks off his body, this young boy died. He had been coming to our services and he was a HUGE help with the building of the kitchen and kid's room! The men from our fellowship had only just begun building relationships so this has been quite difficult for all. Please keep his younger brother and sister in your prayers. Their parents and grandmother are drunkards and have never been any kind of an example to these children.

### On a much lighter note....

The 'house' where we meet has been in need of major work. When it was bought six years ago, it was basically a huge room with a wood burning stove. Since then, rooms, a porch, and heating system have been added. However, the interior still had the rough logs visible – in short, too 'rustic' for a house of prayer.



This past year, there have been some outside donations. With the donations almost covering the remodeling needs, we are amazed at the amount of money this small fellowship has pulled together for use in the upkeep and continued work needed to finish the inside of their building.





The transformation has been amazing and our goal is to add siding to the outside this summer, we are praying that the financing will come through for this project; we need about \$4,500. If you would like to help with this project financially, please contact us. The folks around us see the building as just another 'house' on the block...it needs to **look** more like a place of worship.

**Wedding bells are ringing!**

A very dear and long-time friend



from Ulan Ude will be getting married in August. We were honored to be asked to do their premarital counseling and began in May. The young lady came to our English class/bible study in 1999 and has been a part of our lives ever since! Her fiancé has been a huge part of the church in Ulan Ude over the past seven years, so we have had a chance to get to know him as well. It's incredible to see this young couple excited about what the Lord has in store for them and how open they are to do His will not theirs. We know they will be a blessing in whatever they do and look forward to seeing where HE will guide their future!

Last month Laura wrote as if that would be our last update for the summer. We're so grateful we were able to share once more before we blaze through the coming months. PLEASE keep the folks and work here in your prayers. We THANK YOU for all that is done for people you have never met...it's such a tremendous blessing, not just for us, but for the folks here as well!

**Serving Together in Siberia,  
Kevin & Laura Wooster**

*Blessings*

## **SPECIAL DRIVER SAFETY CLASSES**

There will be at least two Special Driver Safety Classes scheduled at the Homosassa First Methodist Church in 2012. **The next scheduled class is Aug 20-21st at 9:00 AM.** This class is primarily in celebration of Teachers and School Personnel. In recognition of their generosity in Teaching and helping others, AARP invites them to attend this Class for just **\$5 Dollars**. This is a savings up to \$9 Dollars off the normal course fee.

Another Drivers Safety Class is scheduled for **November 12-13th at 9:00 AM.** This Class is specifically targeted for Veterans and/or their Spouse. The Course is designed for drivers over 50 years and there is no fee for qualified individuals. Last year, AARP offered Veterans a "No Fee" Drivers Safety Class during the month of November and was well attended.

Class size is limited for both special classes. Reservations will be on the basis of First Called. Call the Instructor, **Frank Tobin 628-3229**, for early class registration.

## **STEPHEN MINISTRY**



### **SUMMERTIME**

Summertime stress slowing you down?

We think of summer as being a relaxing, enjoyable time. But hurts, struggles, crises, and problems don't take a vacation. Many times our difficulties seem even worse during the summer because everyone else seems to be enjoying life while you are feeling down. If you are experiencing a difficult time—emotionally, spiritually, or relationally you don't have to handle it alone. Our Stephen Ministers are trained caregivers

ready to listen, care for and encourage you, pray with and for you. We provide one-to-one Christian care to help you through whatever it is that you are facing. Its free, its **confidential**. It will make a difference in your life.

Stephen Ministers **DO NOT** take the summers off, we are always available.

To find out more about our Stephen Ministry for you or someone you know, talk to one of our Stephen Leaders, or a Stephen Minister wearing a blue name tag. We don't take the summer off.

**Carol, 382-8926, Karen 382-7263.  
Kay 382-4908, or the church  
office 628-4083.**

## *Living By Faith* is The Theme of the 64th

*Florida Conference United Methodist Men's 2012 Spiritual Retreats*

*Come Join these Dedicated Men's Leaders as we explore the Rewards  
and Challenges of Living a Faithful Life*



**ED DIAZ**, is a co-founder of Walk Thru The Bible Ministries and has taught that seminar extensively over the last 30 years. He is Division Director of Search Ministries, which provides training for Christians in Lifestyle Evangelism. Ed co-authored "The Winning Run," a man's devotional book with a baseball theme. He also serves as Spring Training Chapel Coordinator for the Detroit Tigers. Currently, much of his week is spent dealing with executives in small groups or individual Bible study.



**TOMMY NEIMAN** takes you to the front lines of crisis and points to the cross with a message of hope. His appeal is clear and straightforward, and convincing. God has provided him with a powerful way of finding common ground and communicating the love of Christ with many who wear a uniform similar to his. As a result, he has been used by churches throughout the country to help make their public Safety Appreciation Day an extra special event.

**OCTOBER 19-21, 2012**

**\$145.00 per person - more details in September**

**If you have questions, contact Jim Stoneman,  
Men's Retreat Coordinator, 352-422-0169**

### **A REMINDER TO SAVE.....**

#### **BOX TOPS AND LABELS FOR EDUCATION**

The United Methodist Women are still collecting box tops for education and labels from Campbell soup products and donating them to Homosassa Elementary School. They in turn use them to acquire equipment needed by the school. We recently took some of the box tops and labels to the school and they were very appreciative.

These items may be placed in the large container that looks like a Campbell Soup Can that is located on the top shelf of the mail cubbies for the office workers. They are located in the hallway just past the Pastor's office. You can also leave them in an envelope in the United Methodist Women box located on the bottom left.

Please continue to save the box tops and labels during the summer months, and we can take them to the school when it reopens in the Fall. Thank you for your help. Together we can make a difference in children's lives.

**Helen Lefave, Secretary/Treasurer (352) 628-1380**

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