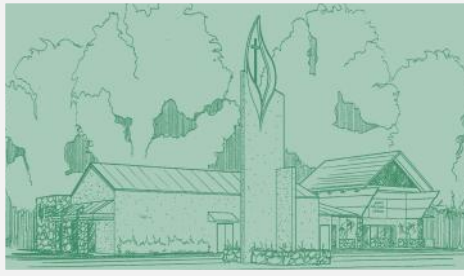


# The Connection



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## **Church Staff**

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Pastor

**Melissa Macnab**  
Music Director

**Dot Myers**  
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Audio-Visual Technician

**Bob Snyder**  
Treasurer

**Patty Moody**  
Pianist

**Bonnie Patterson**  
Organist

**Sheila Rossner**  
Nursery Attendant

**Fred Dean**  
Custodian

## **FROM THE DESK OF Pastor Gary**

### **An Awesome God – Read Isaiah 6:1-8**

One 4<sup>th</sup> of July a man was setting off fireworks in his back yard for the entertainment of his family. A few minutes into this exercise he lit the fuse on one of the rockets, saw sparks fly, heard the usual hissing sound, ran to a position of safety... but after a minute or more had passed, nothing happened – it was apparently a dud.

Nevertheless, he would now have to go back to the misfired missile to see what had happened. He described it this way: “The last thing you’d ever do is to boldly walk up to a misfired rocket, pick it up and look it over. Rather, you carefully tiptoe toward the fizzled waste of money, as though you’re on thin ice. Your heart is pounding in your temples. Your children are cheering you on. Your wife is in the house, dialing 9-1-1. You’re literally shaking at the thought that it still might blow up in your hand. This is not funny.”

Throughout the Bible, especially in the Old Testament, we are warned about entering God’s presence casually, glibly; forgetting His awesomeness, His power, His restraint in light of our sinfulness. The account of Isaiah entering the temple and becoming aware of the presence of a holy God is a pretty incredible one. To this point in the story, Isaiah had been reminding folks of their sinfulness. Suddenly he was reminded of his own.

I believe that this account is in the Scripture to help us to never forget that our God is an exalted, holy God. Coming into His presence should make our hearts race. It should make our feet tread lightly, our hands tremble. We are standing before pure dynamite; the most powerful force in the universe, who is absolutely sovereign!

And yet, incredibly, this same God loves each of us personally, and tenderly calls himself our Father? This same God became human and suffered and died for each of us, as undeserving as we are, so that we might not suffer the consequences of our sin; so that we might have eternal life; and so that we can be empowered to resist the power of temptation and sin in our lives.

Quite a contrast, isn’t it? The almighty, omnipotent, holy, sovereign creator and sustainer of all the heavens and all the earth loves you personally! Died so that you might live. Cares about your well-being. Our Lord is an awesome God, isn’t he?

*Pastor Gary*

**Biblical Stewardship Principles**



Suppose that we are poor, dirt poor, as poor as proverbial church mice. Suddenly, without warning, a financier crosses our path and makes a startling announcement. He is creating a special bank account for us. Starting tomorrow and continuing every day for the rest of our lives, each morning he will deposit into our account \$86,400 that is ours to use as we like.

There's only one catch. Every day, whatever we do not use will be lost at the end of the day. No balance can be carried forward in this account. Given that prospect, each of us would no doubt draw out every cent every day.

Well, you have such a bank, and its name is "Time." Every morning, it credits you with 86,400 seconds. Every night it rules off — as lost — whatever of this you have failed to invest to good purpose. If you fail to use the day's deposits, the loss is yours.

God entrusts to each of us 86,400 seconds seven days a week, 365 days a year. How we use this resource is up to us. We can waste those seconds, minutes and hours in pursuit of things that don't really matter in the light of eternity. Or we can invest them by using as many of them as possible in serving the Lord. How do we value one year? Ask a student who failed a grade.

How do we value one month? Ask a mother whose baby arrived prematurely.

How do we value one hour? Ask someone who lies terminally ill waiting for a loved one who is late.

How do we value one minute? Ask someone who missed a plane, a train, or a very important engagement that can never be rescheduled.

How do we value one second? Ask an Olympic medalist or someone who just missed having an accident.

Last week you were given 168 hours or 604,800 seconds. How many of each was used in pursuit of your interests and activities? How many were used in seeking first God's kingdom and God's righteousness? In retrospect, what was the real value you placed on the time God gave you?

*"Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom."* (PS 90:12)

**Please do not bring opened drink containers or food into the sanctuary at any time!**

**DISTRICT TRAINING EVENT  
"CHURCH of the FUTURE"**

August 18—First UMC, Port St. Lucie  
August 25—Indian River City UMC, Titusville

9:00AM-3:00PM

**SPEAKERS**

Dale Locke, Corky Calhoun & Michael Beck

Free Lunch Provided — Childcare Provided

Please contact Buck Lawson or Arlene Tilison if you would like to attend or call the office.



The Boys & Girls Club meets at Edgewater United Methodist Church all day during the summer break from school. The club will be closed from July 2nd through July 6th and will return on July 9th for their normal summer hours of 8AM-6PM. In August, the club will be closed from Aug. 6th-Aug. 10th returning to hours of 2-6PM on Aug. 13th.



Crafters - meet on the 2nd Saturday of every month in class room #1 between 1PM & 3PM.

We work on items to be sold at Christmas Under The Palms. The profits go to the needs of the church. This is a great time of fellowship.

We welcome anyone who wishes to join us.

Come and share your ideas and talents!



**Prayer Ministry**

Please join us each Tuesday morning at 9:30AM in the Sanctuary to lift up people in need of prayers. Please join us and submit your prayers.



**RICE**

is needed for third SUNDAY donations.

Sunday, July 15, 2018

Thank you!

This helps more than you can imagine!





**THE PUMPKINS ARE COMING!**

**Oct. 5, 2018 — 4:00 PM**



**Here at EUMC On October 28<sup>th</sup> at 10AM  
Put It On Your Calendar – Pray About It –  
Spread the Word**



**Back-to-Church  
Sunday  
November 4<sup>th</sup>  
10AM**

**Put It on Your Calendar! Pray About It!  
Who Will You Invite?**



**SAVE THE DATE  
CHRISTMAS UNDER  
THE PALMS**

**Saturday, Dec. 8, 2018**



Thank you for your continued support of FLUMCH.

Believe it or not, a new school year is right around the corner. As Floridians continue to soak up the summer sun, parents and teachers are already preparing for classes. At the Florida United Methodist Children's Home, that means providing school supplies for the nearly 500 children we serve each day. Thus, we are now entering our back to school supply drive for our children. This is a time when generous individuals, churches, and groups collect necessary school supplies for our students and staff. Our 2018 school needs list for our children can be found at the link below and we kindly ask that they be delivered to the children's home no later than August 3, 2018.

<http://files.constantcontact.com/9ee4573a001/66400d94-268e-445e-bfc1-79a15038bf77.pdf>

**CALENDAR OF CHURCH MEETINGS & EVENTS**

**Boys & Girls Club Mon.-Fri. 8AM-5PM**

**CLOSED July 2nd — July 6th**

- July 7 9:00 AM United Methodist Men Mtg. (Choir Room)
- July 7 **PANTRY CLOSED**
- July 8 10:00 AM Blended Worship Service  
**(Cookie Sunday & 80+ Birthday Celebration)**
- July 10 8:30 AM T.O.P.S. (Choir Room 8:30-10:30AM)
- July 10 9:30 AM Prayer Ministry (Sanctuary)
- July 12 7:30 AM UMM Breakfast (Sand Bar, NSB)
- July 12 8:30 AM Women's Breakfast (Golden Biscuit, NSB)
- July 14 1:00 PM Crafters 1-3PM (SS Rm. #1)
- July 15 10:00 AM Blended Worship Service
- July 17 8:30 AM T.O.P.S. (Choir Room 8:30-10:30AM)
- July 17 9:30 AM Prayer Ministry (Sanctuary)
- July 18 6:30 PM SPRC Meeting (Office)
- July 19 7:30 AM UMM Breakfast (Sand Bar, NSB)
- July 19 8:30 AM Women's Breakfast (Golden Biscuit, NSB)
- July 19 9:30 AM Card Ladies (Choir Room)
- July 22 10:00 AM Blended Worship Service  
**(COVERED DISH)**
- July 24 8:30 AM T.O.P.S. (Choir Room 8:30-10:30AM)
- July 24 9:30 AM Prayer Ministry (Sanctuary)
- July 26 7:30 AM UMM Breakfast (Sand Bar, NSB)
- July 26 8:30 AM Women's Breakfast (Golden Biscuit, NSB)
- July 29 10:00 AM Blended Worship Service  
**FIFTH SUNDAY-CHILDREN'S HOME DONATION**
- July 31 8:30 AM T.O.P.S. (Choir Room 8:30-10:30AM)
- July 31 9:30 AM Prayer Ministry (Sanctuary)



Thank you for your faithful giving of 100% of your apportionments for 2017. Together we can do more.

**"God Can Do It: We Can Help"**



Tony Prestipino  
Treasurer, Florida Conference

**BUDGET INFORMATION**

Needed Weekly=	\$4,969
Received July 1st =	\$4,551
Needed for 26 weeks=	\$ 129,194
<b>Total offerings received=</b>	<b>\$ 101,870</b>

JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 03—Dwight Cunningham
- 04—Jim McGinnis
- 04—Arlene Tilison
- 04—United States of America
- 05—Dora Wilkinson +
- 08—Nettie Secrest +
- 15—Wilma Montgomery +
- 16—Lillian Sleight
- 17—Debi Laibe
- 17—Shelia Warren
- 18—Connie Wildberger +
- 20—Bob Snyder
- 26—Willard DeLoe
- 28—Sue Warren
- 28—Grace Wood
- 29—Jeanine Haun



+ = 80 & over


JULY ANNIVERSARIES

- 01—Wayne & Joyce Lyons
- 03—Lee & Jan Oathout
- 10—Louis & Charlene Giovanniello
- 19—Andy & Melissa Macnab
- 19—Sam & Dawn Showers



PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER:

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|-------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Jerry Adams             | Randy Gilchrist      | Al Moore              |
| Don Antonelli           | Marla Hager          | Nell Morgan           |
| Colleen Band            | Jack Hayman          | Lorie Morris          |
| Jack Bowkus             | Mike Hockett         | Brandy & Duke Moseley |
| Greg Brice              | George Hoffman       | Tommie O'Donoghue     |
| JoAnn Brock             | Joy Hughes           | Maureen Powers        |
| Thelma Buchard          | Ruth Humphrey        | Nicholas Presutti     |
| Tom Carrigan            | Donna Jackson        | Mary Reed             |
| Vera Catledge           | Scott Jackson        | Merridith Richardson  |
| Leigh Clark             | Phil Johnson         | Ivan Rua              |
| Jim & Shirley Clevenger | Erin Juliano         | Carol & Dan Rutter    |
| Brandy Crisafulli       | Mason Joseph Kiep    | Nettie Secrest        |
| JoEllen Curtis          | Brenda Kupris-Cary   | Alan Storm            |
| DeLoe Family            | Debi Laibe           | Dora Wilkinson        |
| Kevin DeVault           | Sandy Langlois       | Erica Williams        |
| Cathy Elledge           | Judy Littorin        | Joy Williams          |
| Steve Ellis             | Doug Marsh           | George Wirsch         |
| Myrle Ewing             | Annette Merritt      | Christy Wood          |
| John Fienning           | Miles Gresham-Miller | Renee Zummo           |
| Theresa Flaitz          | Randy Miller         |                       |
| Tom Freymuth            | Rev. Bob Moffat      |                       |

 Please keep in prayer and make a point to call, visit or send a card to our shut ins:

Norma Cassada	Louise Mills	Bill Price
Pat Chaney	Wilma Montgomery	Lois Ann Rector
Jim & Shirley Clevenger	Vivian Nunn	Marie Scudder
Meta Devlin	Ruth Pawlowski	
Betty Kormylo	Martha Petersen	

If you need an address or phone number please call the office:  
**(386) 428-6552**



**The church office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th.**

**THANK YOU**

The words "thank you" seem so inadequate to express the delight that your birthday cards gave to Bob. There were enough cards for me to give them to him over a four day period. He laughed every time I brought them to him. He just couldn't believe how many people thought of him. Your cards DID make a difference and we go over them more than once just because he enjoys reading them and the notes you enclosed. He has adjusted very well to living in a memory care facility and knows that although he can come home for a few hours, he will never be able to come to stay. Thank you for taking the time to remember him. It was a loving gesture that is helping him know that he is not forgotten. *Jo Moffat*

