



# The Connection



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*You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you. Trust in the Lord forever, for he is the Rock eternal. (IS 26:3-4)* When we get caught up in the busy-ness of life it would do us well to remember these words, set aside time each day to spend quietly with the Lord, and do everything as though you are doing it for the Lord. (COL 3:17)

Keep this in mind as we head into the final third of the year and our many church activities increase significantly. Most of these activities will not begin for another month, but I want to talk about some of them now so you can put them on your calendar, and begin planning and praying.

- On Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup> the pumpkins arrive. We will need helpers on that date to unload the truck; and we will need lots of helpers to take 3 hour shifts for the 25 days of selling time. Sign-up sheets will be available in Hardin Hall beginning this Sunday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup> is World Communion Sunday. This is a Sunday you don't want to miss!
- On Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup> we will host the Crossfire Southern Gospel Quartet. I've heard that they are very good! This would be a great occasion to invite someone to come to church with you. (There will only be one service, at 10AM.) We need YOU to help spread the word. There are fliers available.

This will be followed by a reception in Hardin Hall.

>Also, on this same day, at 1:30PM, we will have our Annual Church Conference, in conjunction with 1<sup>st</sup> NSB and Coronado. It will be hosted by 1<sup>st</sup> Church and led by our district superintendent. A Church Conference means that all members are invited to attend. (Those in leadership positions are expected to attend.)

- Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup> is All Saints Sunday when we will commemorate all of our church family members who have gone on to be with the Lord since last November. If you have lost a family member in this time period and would like to have them remembered, please contact Dot in the church office. If you have a good quality photo of them (preferably electronic) please get that to us in advance. (Someone may be contacting you regarding this.)
- Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup> is our annual Back-to-Church Sunday event. We will have a special service planned, to be followed by a picnic on the grounds. This year the picnic will be both in Hardin Hall and in tents outside of HH. (This IS NOT a covered-dish event. There is a committee planning the meal. If you want to help please contact Pat Tiffany or the church office.)

>The purpose of this event is to encourage our "lost sheep" to come back for at least a visit AND to invite **un-churched** folks to come see what our church is all about. If you're proud of our church (and I hope you are) then start thinking about and praying about someone you can invite. Just think what a great day it would be if all of you invited only one person!

Of course all of this will be followed by Thanksgiving, Christmas Under the Palms, Advent, the Christmas cantata (it's a good one!), and the Christmas Eve service. All-in-all it's going to be an awesome time! Hope you are all part of it!

Peace and grace..... *Pastor Gary*



The Old Testament Book of Esther is very interesting. If you've never read it, you might want to do so. It is the only book of the Bible in which the name of God is not mentioned. Also, the New Testament does not quote from the Book of Esther. The ten chapters which comprise this book are filled with intrigue, mystery and divine providence as God comes to the rescue of the Jewish people.

King Ahasuerus (also known as Xerxes) is described in chapter one as surrounding himself with wise men who knew the times. They knew what was happening in terms of history and current events, and were invaluable to the king.

What does it mean to be "wise"? Charles Stanley wrote: "Wisdom is the capacity to see our lives from God's perspective." In other words, if we want to be among the "wise guys" of our day, we will view our lives and how we use our time from God's perspective.

What is that perspective? It is from eternity. Before the foundation of the earth was created, there was no time. There were no clocks, no second hands ticking off the passing of time. And someday when time as we know it ends, that same vista will once again be present.

Bill Gaither described that prospect with these words:

*The market place is empty,  
No more traffic in the streets,  
All the builder's tools are silent,  
No more time to harvest wheat;  
Busy housewives cease their labors,  
In the courtroom no debate,  
Work on earth is all suspended  
As the King comes through the gate.*

Yes, someday, time as we know it will be no more. What really matters is using the time that God has given us now to glorify God and to be of Christian service to others. What really puts us in the class of those who are "wise" is viewing our activities and the use of our time from God's eternal perspective.



Thank you for your donations of school supplies for the new school year. Your generosity is making an impact in the lives of our children. September has 5 Sundays. We will be providing envelopes for our 5th Sunday donation later this month. We are very appreciative of EUMC's recent gift of \$414.00

### THE PUMPKINS ARE COMING!

Oct. 5, 2018 — 4:00 PM



**Sign up sheets will be available beginning Sun., Sept. 2nd in Hardin Hall after the worship service.**

### EUMC WOMEN'S CIRCLES

Summer is over and the circles will begin to meet again in September. If you would like to join, please contact any of the members.

**DORCAS CIRCLE: 2nd Tuesday -1:00 PM**  
(Chair: Joandel Jackson, Secretary: Shirley Vickers)

**NAOMI CIRCLE: 3rd Tuesday -7:00 PM**  
(Chair: Linda Ruttly, Secretary: Melissa Macnab)

**RUTH CIRCLE: 3rd Tuesday - 1:00 PM**  
(Chair: Arlene Tilison, Program Chair: Ruth Michie)



### CEREAL

is needed for third SUNDAY donations.  
**Sunday, September 16, 2018**  
**Thank you!**  
**This helps more than you can imagine!**

**CrossFire**  
Southern Gospel Quartet  
**Edgewater United Methodist Church**  
October 28th 2018  
10:00 am

**A Place to Belong**  
**Back-to-Church Sunday**  
**November 11<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**  
**9AM-4PM**  
**THERE WILL BE A MEETING ON**  
**WED., SEPT. 5th at 7PM**  
**in HARDIN HALL.**  
**PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND!**

**CALENDAR OF CHURCH MEETINGS & EVENTS**

**Boys & Girls Club Mon.-Fri. 2PM-6PM**

- Sept 1 9:00 AM United Methodist Men Meeting (Choir Room)
- Sept 2 10:00 AM Blended Worship Service (**Communion**)
- Sept 3 **OFFICE CLOSED for Labor Day**
- Sept 4 8:30 AM T.O.P.S. (Choir Room 8:30-10:30AM)
- Sept 4 9:30 AM Prayer Ministry (Sanctuary)
- Sept 4 10:00 AM Worship Team Meeting (Office)
- Sept 5 6:00 PM Back to Church Sunday Meeting (HH)
- Sept 5 7:00 PM Christmas Under the Palms Meeting (HH)
- Sept 6 7:30 AM UMM Breakfast (Sand Bar, NSB)
- Sept 6 8:30 AM Women's Breakfast (Golden Biscuit, NSB)
- Sept 6 6:30 PM Choir Practice (Choir Room)
- Sept 8 1:00 PM Crafters 1-3PM (SS Rm. #1)
- Sept 9 10:00 AM Blended Worship Svc. (**Cookie/80+ BD**)
- Sept 10 6:00 PM Girl Scout Leaders (Hardin Hall)
- Sept 11 8:30 AM T.O.P.S. (Choir Room 8:30-10:30AM)
- Sept 11 9:30 AM Prayer Ministry (Sanctuary)
- Sept 11 1:00 PM Dorcas Circle (Joandel Jackson's Home)
- Sept 13 7:30 AM UMM Breakfast (Sand Bar, NSB)
- Sept 13 8:30 AM Women's Breakfast (Golden Biscuit, NSB)
- Sept 13 9:30 AM Card Ladies (Choir Room)
- Sept 13 6:30 PM Choir Practice (Choir Room)
- Sept 15 10:00 AM Boys & Girls Club Field Day 10AM-2PM
- Sept 16 10:00 AM Blended Worship Service
- Sept 17 6:00 PM Girl Scout Meeting (Hardin Hall)
- Sept 18 8:30 AM T.O.P.S. (Choir Room 8:30-10:30AM)
- Sept 18 9:30 AM Prayer Ministry (Sanctuary)
- Sept 18 1:00 PM Ruth Circle (Location TBD)
- Sept 18 7:00 PM Naomi Circle (Sunday School Rm. #3)
- Sept 19 7:00 PM SPRC Meeting (Choir Room)
- Sept 20 7:30 AM UMM Breakfast (Sand Bar, NSB)
- Sept 20 8:30 AM Women's Breakfast (Golden Biscuit, NSB)
- Sept 20 6:30 PM Choir Practice (Choir Room)
- Sept 23 10:00 AM Blended Worship Service (**COVERED DISH**)
- Sept 25 8:30 AM T.O.P.S. (Choir Room 8:30-10:30AM)
- Sept 25 9:30 AM Prayer Ministry (Sanctuary)
- Sept 27 7:30 AM UMM Breakfast (Sand Bar, NSB)
- Sept 27 8:30 AM Women's Breakfast (Golden Biscuit, NSB)
- Sept 27 6:30 PM Choir Practice (Choir Room)
- Sept 30 10:00 AM Blended Worship Service (**5th Sunday**)

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 01—Jo Moffat +
- 02—Brian Carlton
- 02—Ken Davis
- 02—Marilyn Onie
- 02—Sheila Rossner
- 03—Linda Gwozdz
- 03—Rick Orr
- 03—Beth Schuler
- 08—Ruth Humphrey +
- 09—Steve Laibe
- 10—Karlee DeLoe
- 10—Vivian Nunn +
- 11—Patty Moody
- 15—Pat Sulzbach
- 18—Norrine Peterson +
- 20—Jim Locke
- 23—Lou Giovanniello
- 25—Buck Lawson
- 28—Abbie Kverek
- 28—Kelly Snyder
- + = 80 or above



SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 18—Dwight & Linda Cunningham
- 18—Leon Jr. & Mary Merrow
- 20—Jim & Judy Locke



PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER:

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|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Sara Alford      | Mike Hockett          | Rev. Bob Moffat   |
| Jack Bowkus      | Scott Jackson         | Lorie Morris      |
| Greg Brice       | Jeff Jarrell          | Tommie O'Donoghue |
| Thelma Buchard   | Phil Johnson & Family | Maureen Powers    |
| Tom Carrigan     | Erin Juliano          | Mari Reed         |
| Leigh Clark      | Vince Karl            | Jody Sanders      |
| Tom Craig        | Mason Joseph Kiep     | Mary Jane Scowden |
| JoEllen Curtis   | Hope Koenigsknect     | Marie Scudder     |
| Lindy DeLoe      | Joe Koenigsknect      | Vicki Sheets      |
| Cathy Elledge    | Brenda Kupris-Cary    | Emily Sholley     |
| Myrle Ewing      | Sandy Langlois        | Rich Smith        |
| Gunna Fabre      | Judy Littorin         | Arlene Tilison    |
| Tom Freymuth     | Mauricio Martell      | Bud Tilison       |
| Wally Green      | Dwight McKinney       | Shirley Vickers   |
| Melinda Hamilton | Miles Gresham-Miller  | JoAnn Waikel      |
| Claudia Hanson   | Randy Miller          | Brian Wayman      |



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

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|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Norma Cassada           | Wilma Montgomery | Lois Ann Rector   |
| Pat Chaney              | Ed & Vivian Nunn | Mary Jane Scowden |
| Jim & Shirley Clevenger | Ruth Pawlowski   | Marie Scudder     |
| Meta Devlin             | Martha Petersen  | Nettie Secrest    |
| Louise Mills            | Bill Price       |                   |

**We need help to light up the  
Bessie Macke Cross & Flame Tower**

If you choose to make a donation, please mark your checks "Flame Tower".  
(These donations are considered as "extra" giving and should not be deducted from your regular giving.)

**"FRIENDS of the FLAME" Contributors:**



**Congregation:**

- Susie Anders
- Lou & Charlene Giovanniello
- Esther Stake

**Community:**

- Coastal Integrated Healthcare**  
315 N. Ridgewood Ave. Edgewater  
(386) 427-8403
- Edgewater Floor Store**  
2119 S. Ridgewood Ave. Edgewater  
(386)410-6963

**JB's Fish Camp** 859 Pompano Ave.  
New Smyrna Bch. (386)314-8342

Total Received= \$670.00

*Thank you for your support!*