



The Connection



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FROM THE DESK OF Pastor Gary

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Treasurer

Patty Moody
Pianist

Bonnie Patterson
Organist

Sheila Rossner
Nursery Attendant

Fred Dean
Custodian

Being that this is the last Connection article that I will write for you, I want to make this personal (without mentioning names). I apologize in advance if it makes any of you cry, but I can assure you that it is making me cry as I write it.

It's never easy to say goodbye to someone you love; and saying goodbye to 171 people that you love makes it all that much harder. Janice and I have only been here five years but it feels like much longer – and I mean that in a very positive way. The way you have touched our lives and the relationships we've developed here make it feel like we are leaving our own family; people we have known all our lives. And we will miss you very much. We are proud to have been part of the life of this awesome congregation.

One of the main reasons why we feel so close to you is because you are such a welcoming and loving congregation. So many of the people who have joined this church since we've been here have done so because they felt accepted and valued from the moment they walked in the door – just like we did. This is a special gift that you all have and I hope that you will nurture it and maintain it – regardless of who your future pastor(s) may be.

Speaking of new members, I am blessed to say that we have taken in 60 new members on our watch – that's more than a third of our membership. Thank you for being the kind of congregation by which together we could make this happen!

Another of your great strengths is your hands-on involvement in ministry such as the food pantry, Sunday night meals, support of the FUM Children's Home; and the way you love, pray and care for one another. I pray that you will continue in all these outreach endeavors. You also have a great group of lay leaders; please continue to give them your support and prayers.

Thank you so much and God bless all of you who were there for us when we were struggling with taking care of my mother – you don't know how much it was appreciated! We felt your prayers.

We have certainly enjoyed being a part of the great music ministry and will truly miss everyone who is a part of this important piece of the church's life of worship. Fortunately, I believe that where we are going will offer us a good opportunity to continue sharing the musical skills God has blessed us with.

Many of you we will never see again this side of heaven, but I am looking forward to seeing you again there (but not soon). In the interim you will continue to be in our thoughts and prayers. May the Lord bless you and keep you!

Finally, please love your new pastor and her family the way that you have loved us; and pray for her.

For anyone who would like to call, write or visit, our new contact information is as follows:

8491 Hwy. 183 (physical address)

PO Box 31(mailing address)

Linville Falls, NC 28647

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828-765-0234

For the foreseeable future our email addresses and cell numbers will remain the same as now.

In Christ's love *Pastor Gary & Janice, EUMC Ret.*



NEW PASTOR APPOINTMENT

Bishop Kenneth Carter has appointed Reverend Donna J. Blythe from First United Methodist Church in Fairfield, IL to Edgewater UMC. Rev. Blythe is married with 4 grown children and 6 grandchildren. She will move into EUMC parsonage with her husband and 2 of her grandchildren, aged 19 & 15 in the first week of July. Rev. Blythe was ordained in 2010 and has a Master of Divinity from Eden Theological Seminary in St. Louis, MO. She has served churches from 100-1500, as well as revitalizing youth programs. Rev. Blythe has served on several local, district & conference committees. Please welcome her on July 7, 2019.



2019 Annual

Conference

June 5-8

Florida Southern College
111 Lake Holingsworth Dr.
Lakeland, FL 33801

Retirement Service:

Pastor Gary, along with all retiring clergy, will be honored on Thursday, June 6th at 10:30AM.

Please contact Arlene Tilison (386) 428-4351 if you are interested in attending.

The service will be held in Branscomb Auditorium on the campus of Florida Southern College in Lakeland.



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB MISSION STATEMENT

To inspire and enable all young people, especially those from disadvantaged circumstances, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens and leaders.

Jennifer Forrest, Unit Director

Peggy Sue Tackett, Program Director—Latecia Williams, Program Specialist

Mon.-Fri. Summer Hours 8AM-6PM



JUNE 16, 2019 is Pastor Gary's last Sunday of preaching.

SPRC will provide and host a light luncheon directly after the service with a short program. We hope you can join us to celebrate Pastor Gary's retirement .

There will be a gift table, a money tree and a basket for cards.



"FRIENDS of the FLAME"

Thank you for your support!



Chick-fil-A
10 Indian River Blvd. Edgewater
(386) 478-1490

Coastal Integrative Healthcare
315 N. Ridgewood Ave. Edgewater
(386) 427-8403

Eagle Eye Dental
104 S. Cory Drive Edgewater
(386) 957-3977

Edgewater Floor Store
2119 S. Ridgewood Ave. Edgewater
(386) 410-6963

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

Leon's Edgewater Motors, Inc.
1737 S. Ridgewood Ave. Edgewater
(386) 427-4816

On Solid Ground RV & Boat Storage
421 Timaquan Trail Edgewater
(386) 424-9433

Sewing Sally
501 10th St. #L87 New Smyrna Bch.
(386) 402-4077

CHOIR PRACTICE
will resume in the fall.

WOMEN'S CIRCLES

Naomi & Ruth Circles
will resume in the fall.



CONGRATULATIONS

EUMC has again exceeded our goal for 2018 support of the Florida United Methodist Children's Home with a yearly total of \$7,004.00.

Please see the Certificate of Recognition and Appreciation on the bulletin board in the hallway. Remember to give on June 30th to help the children.

CROWN

INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

will have a truck to do document shredding at the church office on Wed., June 19th. We are inviting our congregation to bring in your important papers that are not needed to have shredded. Watch the announcements for the time.



THE PUMPKINS ARE COMING!

Oct. 4, 2019
4:00 PM



SAVE THE DATE

CHRISTMAS UNDER THE PALMS

Saturday, Dec. 14, 2019
9AM-4PM

CALENDAR OF CHURCH MEETINGS & EVENTS

Boys & Girls Club Mon.-Fri. 8AM-6PM

T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Meet each Tues. 8:30AM

- June 1 9:00 AM United Methodist Men (Choir Room)
- June 2 10:00 AM Blended Worship Service (Communion)
- June 4 9:15 AM Prayer Ministry (Sanctuary)
- June 4 6:30 PM Girl Scout End of year Meeting
- June 6 7:30 AM UMM Breakfast (Sand Bar, NSB)
- June 6 8:30 AM Women's Breakfast (Golden Biscuit, NSB)
- June 8 1:00 PM Crafters (1-3PM Hardin Hall)
- June 9 10:00 AM Blended Worship Service (Cookie Sunday & 80+ BD Celebration)
- June 11 9:15 AM Prayer Ministry (Sanctuary)
- June 13 7:30 AM UMM Breakfast (Sand Bar, NSB)
- June 13 8:30 AM Women's Breakfast (Golden Biscuit, NSB)
- June 16 10:00 AM Blended Worship Service (Father's Day)
- June 18 9:15 AM Prayer Ministry (Sanctuary)
- June 19 Crown Info Mgt. Document Shredding
- June 20 7:30 AM UMM Breakfast (Sand Bar, NSB)
- June 20 8:30 AM Women's Breakfast (Golden Biscuit, NSB)
- June 20 9:30 AM Card Ladies (Choir Room)
- June 23 10:00 AM Blended Worship Service
- June 25 9:15 AM Prayer Ministry (Sanctuary)
- June 27 7:30 AM UMM Breakfast (Sand Bar, NSB)
- June 27 8:30 AM Women's Breakfast (Golden Biscuit, NSB)
- June 30 10:00 AM Blended Worship Service (Sanctuary)



There are still some books in Pastor Gary's office. (theology, leadership, church history, etc.)

Anyone who wishes may come into the office between 9AM and noon and take whatever they choose.



Susie Anders contact information has changed:

Phone-(386) 427-5845 (Shirley)

Cell-(386) 478-6755

Email- susieanders62@gmail.com

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 01—Mary Jane Scowden +
- 06—Leon Merrow, Jr.
- 09—Bill Price +
- 13—Charlene Giovanniello
- 14—Ed Brown +
- 14—Rex Hoffman
- 14—Bob Moffat +
- 15—Kathy Oliver
- 17—Charlene Flaitz
- 17—Maddox Williams
- 24—Esther Stake +
- 26—Doug Marsh
- 27—Bud Tilison +



+ = 80 & over

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- 11—Mike & Patsy Fry
- 11—Arden & Patti Sulzbach
- 12—Chuck & Linda Rutty
- 14—Jim & Linda McGinnis



PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER:

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| Sally Adams | Joe Hale | Bill Myers |
| Melanie Andrews | Melinda Hamilton | Tommie O'Donoghue |
| Virginia Bloomer | Claudia Hansen | Darrell Periman |
| Jack Bowkus | Mike Hockett | Maureen Powers |
| Richard (Dick) Brice | Scott Jackson | Ira Roberts |
| Bev Brown | Phil Johnson & Family | Carol Rutter |
| Stan Buys | Erin Juliano | Nancy Sanders |
| Tom Carrigan | Mason Joseph Kiep | Karen Sheets |
| Ellen Chapman | The Koenigsknect Family | Vickie Sheets |
| Rick Chapman | Mary Lawson | Bobbie Steinhoff |
| Rod Charlton | Judy Littorin | Ken Steinhoff |
| Leigh Clark | Isaiah McGinnis | Danny Townsend |
| Kristine Culver | Dan McNabney | Jim Townsend |
| JoEllen Curtis | Doug Marsh | Judy Tuccillo |
| Bill & Hazel Dampier | Mauricio Martell | Shirley Vickers |
| Larry & Carol Doud | John Miles | Abby Wadkins |
| Clark Edwards | Miles Gresham-Miller | Jamie Warren |
| Cathy Elledge | Randy Miller | Michael Warren |
| Myrle Ewing | Jack Mims | Jeannette Watson |
| Gunna Fabre | Rev. Bob Moffat | Erica Williams |
| Mike Fry | Larry Moore | Ann Williamson |
| Don Gentry | Lorie Morris | |

NAMETAGS

Now that the services are blended together it would be nice if everyone recognized each other. Please remember to wear your name tag lanyards. This will be especially helpful when Pastor Donna and her family arrive in July. If you need a name tag, please let an usher know or call the office. (386) 428-6552



CEREAL

is needed for our
THIRD SUNDAY donation
June 16, 2019.



Please keep in prayer and make a point to call, visit or send a card to our shut ins:
If you need an address or phone number please call the office:

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| Norma Cassada | Ed & Vivian Nunn | Marie Scudder |
| Pat Chaney | Ruth Pawlowski | Nettie Secrest |
| Shirley Clevenger | Martha Petersen | Estelle Smith |
| Meta Devlin | Bill Price | Phyllis Sperry |
| Jeannie Foster | Lois Ann Rector | Grace Wood |
| Wilma Montgomery | Mary Jane Scowden | |

