

MEETINGS & EVENTS

(Please wear a mask at meetings and worship services and practice social distancing)

(Boys & Girls Club Mon.—Fri. 2PM-7PM)

T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Tuesdays at 8:30AM

Tues., Dec. 8th, 5PM—SPRC Mtg. (Choir Room)

Thurs., Dec. 10th, 7:30AM—UMM Breakfast (Golden Biscuit)

Thurs., Dec. 10th 7:30 PM—Praise Team Practice (Choir Room)

Sat., Dec. 12th,—Food Pantry CLOSED

Sat., Dec. 12th, 9AM-4PM—

CHRISTMAS UNDER THE PALMS

Sun., Dec. 13th, 3rd Sunday of Advent...

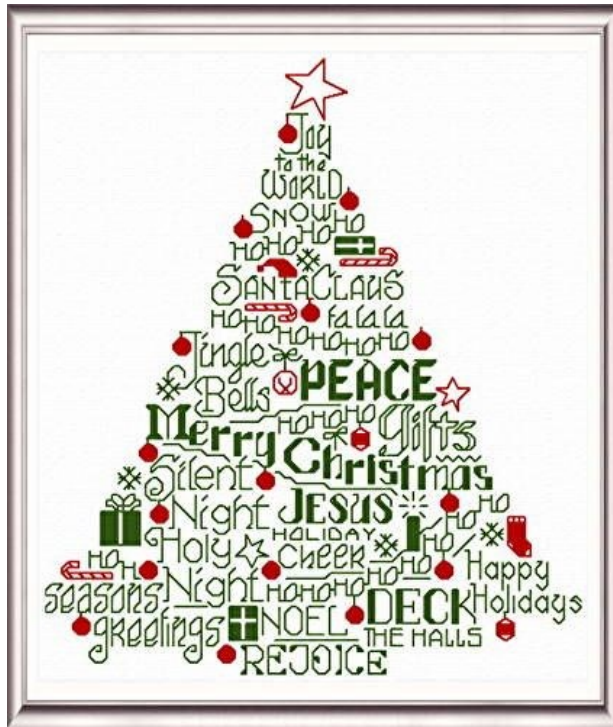
9AM Outdoor Contemporary Worship Service

11AM Indoor Traditional Worship Service

(please call the office for reservations for 11AM service)

Mon., Dec. 14th, 6PM—Church Council Mtg. (Choir Room)

Note date change for Church Council Mtg.



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF VOLUSIA / FLAGLER COUNTIES

We are in need of more unwrapped gifts for the Boys & Girls Club, especially boys aged 6 -18. Please drop them off at the office sometime this week.



**Need an idea for Christmas gifts?
We still have some cook books available
@ \$15 each. See Susie Lawson
or stop in the office.**



**CHRISTMAS UNDER
THE PALMS**

**Saturday, Dec. 12, 2020
9AM-4P**

**If you are able to help out in our
Christmas Shop or with parking or any other
aspect of this event, please call the office.
(386) 428-6552**

**Donations for the Christmas Shop can be
dropped off at the office by Wed., Dec. 9th.**

Women's Breakfast

Thursday, January 14th, 9AM

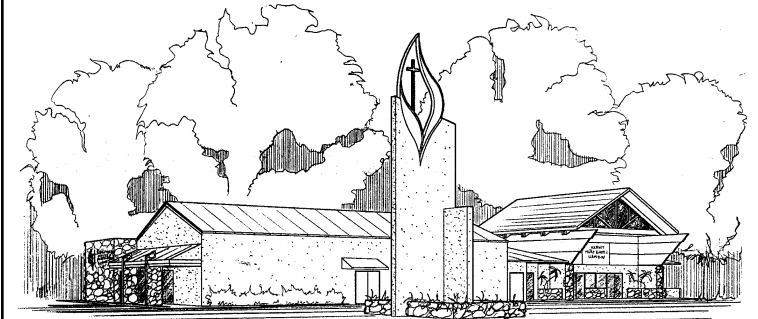
Golden Biscuit, NSB

**Going forward, we will meet the
2nd Thursday of the month.**

Edgewater

United Methodist Church

Rev. Donna J. Blythe, Pastor



**Traditional Worship Service
December 6, 2020**

Open Hearts—Open Minds—Open Doors

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OFFICE HOURS:

9:00 AM to Noon, Monday through Friday

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

December 6, 2020 —11:00 a.m.

✠Please stand if you are able.

It would be a blessing to us if you would:

Sign the attendance slip including prayer requests provided with your bulletin. Your presence is important to us.

WELCOME & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

OF FIRST TIME VISITORS

Pastor Donna

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Christmas Bells

Patty Moody

CALL TO WORSHIP

John Thomas

L: In the midst of darkness, God brings a new light.

P: Thanks be to the God of light.

L: In the midst of confusion and fear, God brings hope and peace.

P: Thanks be to the God of peace.

L: In the midst of strife and stress, God comforts and soothes us.

P: Let us praise God who truly loves us and brings us new life.

✠OPENING PRAYER

John Thomas

Lord of all life and all seasons, help us open our hearts to hear the words of promise and love that you send to us. Like Joseph, may we trust in your abiding love and power. Prepare us to receive your gift of grace and peace. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 40:1-11

Pastor Donna

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING

Our lists are long, even in this strange mess where we live these days. And we want to do it right, we want to be safe, but we want to be able to enjoy the season. We've got

work to do to put right what has gone wrong, to heal what is broken, to mend the relationships, and to prepare for the company that will come.

The prophet Isaiah reminded us that there is work to be done. "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God." When God comes in, then healing is to be found, but we need to make the way; we need to open the door into our lives.

So, we light these candles as a sign of our faith that the God we worship is not far from us and that we can clear the way for that God to come and dwell with us. We light these candles in faith that company is coming.

O Come, O Come Emmanuel.

✠OPENING HYMN *Of the Father's Love Begotten*

Screen

MORNING PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC

His Hand in Mine

Ron Gray

OFFERING PRAYER

✠DOXOLOGY

HYMN

Love Divine, All Love's Excelling

Screen

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 1:23

Pastor Donna

Isaiah 7:14

MESSAGE

*I Believe in Love:
Daring Right Relationship*

HOLY COMMUNION

✠CLOSING HYMN

Oh, How I Love Jesus

Screen

BENEDICTION



TRANSFORMING LIVES THROUGH CHRIST'S LOVE

GENERAL PRAYER CONCERNS FOR THE WEEK:

Charlotte Bond—(friend of Rebecca Holt)

Linda Donna—was diagnosed with colon cancer

(friend of Gail Gilchrist)

Shirley Vickers—recovering after TIA and hospital stay Dec. 3rd/4th

Michael Warren—declining health

Dennie Wolfgang—has covid-19 & other medical issues; on oxygen

& steroids at home. (Gayle Marsh's friend)



CHURCH STAFF

Pastor:

Rev. Donna Blythe

Music Director:

Melissa Macnab

Administrative Assistant:

Dot Myers

Treasurer:

Bob Snyder

Pianist:

Patty Moody

Audio/Visual Tech:

Andy Macnab

Custodian:

Fred Dean

Nursery Supervisor:

Karin Smuts

TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN BY:

Beth Kelley

"In loving memory of Jeff Kelley from children and grandchildren"

Jeannette Watson

"In loving memory of my husband, Ray and my son, David"



Flower Arrangements by: B J'S FLOWERS and PLANTS