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PARRISH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

DOG DAYS OF SUMMER

You thought I was a SMART talker last year, you ain't seen nothing yet... **BRING IT ON!**
Pop it on the Pastor Water balloons SALE!
2 balloons for \$1.00

Event Information:

- Bring your swim suits, sunblock and a towel
- Lunch will be provided, you are welcome to bring small, pool friendly desserts
- Sno-cones
- Games, water slide, splash park, & playground
- Regular Water Balloons will also be for sale 3 balloons for \$1.00

Event Location:
Cross Creek Pool • 4000 Creekside Park Drive • Parrish

Admission: School Supplies
Highlighters, pencils, erasers, glue sticks, crayons, dry erase markers, copy paper, composition notebooks, notebook paper, tissues, Clorox/Lysol wipes, and various size Ziploc bags.

AUG 6th 11-3PM

Coming events:

- † 8/04 Leadership Team Meeting 6:00 PM
- † 8/06 Food Distribution Day 11:00 AM
- † 8/06 Community Luncheon 11:00 AM
- † 8/06 Dog Days of Summer 11:00 AM
- † 8/09 New Bible Study Begins 10:00 AM
- † 8/09 Stephen Minsters 7:00 PM
- † 8/11 Thrift Cottage Board Meeting 9:00 AM
- † 8/11 Administrative Team Meeting 7:00 PM
- † 8/19 Dinner & Movie Night 5:30 PM
- † 8/20 Food Distribution Day 11:00 AM
- † 8/20 Community Luncheon 11:00 AM
- † 8/23 Stephen Ministers 7:00 PM
- † 8/27 Operation Christmas Child Kick Off 9:00 AM
- † 8/28 Sun Coast Blood Drive

SUNDAY SERVICES

8:15 Traditional Worship

9:45 *CrossLight*

11:11 Blended Worship

9:45 AM Sunday School For All Ages

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THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

The outpouring of your support for PUMC's "Christmas in July" kick off for the year round mission of Operation Christmas Child was nothing short of *AMAZING!*



IMPORTANT DATES

- August 9** - 6:30pm
OCC meeting
- September 10** - 9:00am
Craft Day
- Sept 25** - Packing Day
- October**- personal boxes available

Something for everybody! As Pastor Chris told us last week – *everybody can pray!*

Pray with a grateful heart that with our persistence God will grant these children the eternal gift of his love! Pray over your gifts! Pray for the OCC workers. Pray for these children to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior! *Everybody can pray!*

Suggestions for every shoebox:

Cup, spoon, bowl, wash cloth, soap in container, toothbrush in container, hair comb/brush, Wow gift, small toys, pencils, crayons, picture and/or note from you.



Financial support is needed to purchase supplies and materials. Please be sure to mark your envelope "OCC" Thank You!

Things needed year round for crafts:

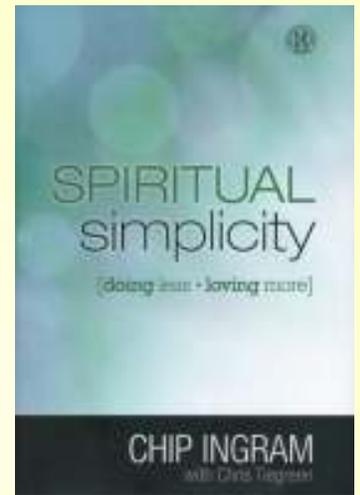
Wine corks, bottle caps, blank CD's and empty thread spools.

Please drop in the OCC bin in the *Gathering Place*

THANK YOU!

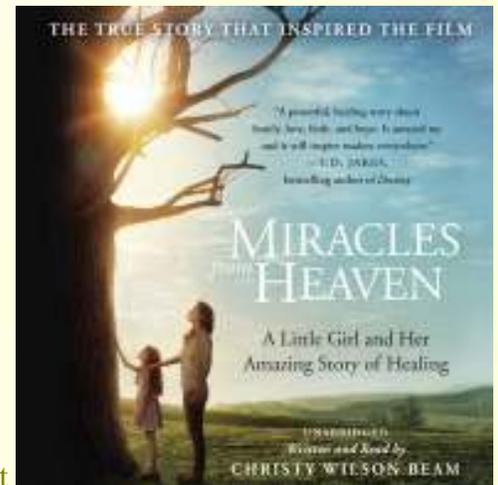
NEW Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Beginning Tuesday, August 9th at 10:00 in *Room 123*. In *Spiritual Simplicity*, we'll discover how it's possible – and even necessary – to run the race of life at a different, more meaningful pace and achieve peace. It's my prayer that as we learn the practice of loving people more, we'll experience a shift from complex to simple, and from “never enough time” to “time enough for those we love.” Join us for this powerful study from 1 Corinthians 13 and 1 John 4 as we study the connection between God's love for us and our ability to love one another. This is an eight week study led by Patricia Hamilton.



You're Invited to Dinner & Movie Night at PUMC

Friday, August 19th beginning at 5:30 PM for dinner (Sloppy Joes, Hot dogs, chips and cole slaw), followed by the movie *Miracles from Heaven* at 7:00 PM. Based on the incredible true story of the Beam family. When Christy (Jennifer Garner) discovers her 10-year-old daughter Anna (Kylie Rogers) has a rare, incurable disease, she becomes a ferocious advocate for her daughter's healing as she searches for a solution. After Anna has a freak accident, an extraordinary miracle unfolds in the wake of her dramatic rescue that leaves medical specialists mystified, her family restored and their community inspired. *There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board in the Gathering Place.*



Prayer Blanket Ministry

There are blankets available on the narthex table. The next formal blessing will be later in the year. If you have a special need, please contact Alma Woolbert (941 981 5101).

Special thanks to the ladies who have donated their creations recently and to those who have donated yarn.

Wrapped in Love

Prayer Blanket Ministry of PUMC

Thrift Cottage News

We hope everyone is having a great summer. Please remember us when fleshing out that back to school wardrobe. We also have many items for college students.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all volunteers. This has not been the best summer for me and I have not been able to do many things at the Cottage. I would like to lift up Jackie Schmoyer who has stepped up to schedule the volunteers. Please try to find some time to help her with this job by filling in while many of our regulars are off enjoying their summer.

Autumn White, our Mistress of the donation shed, has been sorting and distributing items between the two buildings in this overwhelming heat and deserves to be lifted up. Again, if you find an extra hour or two, we need you,.

Please remember that every little bit helps, especially when we are looking forward to an ambitious building project.

Looking forward to seeing you soon. God bless.

***VOLUNTEERS DO NOT NECESSARILY HAVE THE TIME;
THEY JUST HAVE THE HEART ~~~~Elizabeth Andrew***

**Thrift Cottage Telephone Number: 776-3161
Thrift Cottage Annex Telephone Number: 776-0684**

Remember: SMART PEOPLE SHOP THRIFT!!

Ladies Tea

Indulge your girly side!

Come and celebrate fall at our *Annual Ladies Tea* on Saturday, September 24th from 1pm to 3pm in the Sanctuary. Finger sandwiches, petit fours, and cookies will be served. If you are able to decorate a table or can help with food preparation, please call or talk with Mary Beth Hancock (345-7130), Kimla Miner (730-5550), or Patty McClain (812-1515).

Please look for additional information regarding ticket sales in the September Newsletter. Proceeds from the *Ladies Tea* will be donated to our building fund.

A Word of Thanks

Thank you Pastor Chris and all PUMC Church family for words of encouragement during our time of sorrow .

Mom had many friends during her time of servanthood where God called her. She was very faithful, devoted to being a living testimony for our Lord.

I know she made a difference in many lives she touched. She listened and acted when God spoke to her, for that I'm blessed, for she blessed me and others.

Her prayer for this church was always to grow, be a light for Christ in a lost world and for His spirit to flow in this body of Christ.

Mom's time for serving has come and gone, now it's everyone's turn to take the yoke—serve side by side Jesus, learn and grow into His likeness.

Be the light!

Thank you,
Anne Griffith & Family



Children's Ministry

Ethel Pawley

With Cave Quest, Warren Willis Camp, Dogs Day of Summer, and the early start of school on August 10th, it will have been a busy and very short summer for our children. During this time the Children's Ministry has been busy with plans to enhance ministry opportunities and refine our procedures in order to maintain an exceptional standard with consideration to the spiritual and physical perspective of the ministry.

August 7th, we will be implementing a new security procedure. We are committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our children.

- Name tags will be available in the children's classroom area and the welcome booth for the registering adult to completely fill out.
- Place the name tag on the child; the registering adult will keep the corresponding number portion.
- When picking up your child, you will give the number portion to the volunteer.
- Failure to present a number will require the adult to fill out an identification form which will ask for a driver's license number.
- Only an adult may pick up a child, please do not send a sibling.

We appreciate your cooperation and patience as we implement this new system.

September 4th, will be the official start of the Sunday morning Kids Hour. On 9/4/16, at 9:45 and 11:11, children will move up to their new grade level as we'll begin our second year of "Deep Blue" curriculum. Last year we met the Deep Blue Crew, Asia, Edgar and Kat. This year we will be introduced to a new Crew Member, Caleb. We look forward to continuing our weekly adventure through the Bible.

September 7th, Wednesday Kidz Nites, for children K-5th grade, will kick off with an exciting new addition to its weekly program, Kids.com Music Group. It is so very exciting to offer the kids an introduction to the creative arts through music and to teach why it is an important part of our worship. We will continue to have Bible lessons, games, crafts, and yummy snacks.

September 16th, mark your calendar for Family Night. It is a great opportunity to enjoy good food, fellowship and fun. More information to follow, but do plan to come and meet other families that you may only see passing in the hall on Sunday mornings.

Starting this September we'll introduce MOPS, Mothers of Preschoolers. MOPS exists to encourage, equip and develop every mother of preschoolers to realize her potential as a woman, mother, and leader in the name of Jesus Christ. Mothers meet twice a month on Wednesday mornings with trained leaders to have an opportunity for learning, sharing and fellowship with other mothers of preschoolers. In addition, there are planned activities for preschool children. We are planning to incorporate a "Mother's Morning Out" on the Wednesday mornings that MOPS will not be meeting. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact Ethel, ethel@parrishumc.com.

Also this fall, we will be starting a Children's Ministry theme of "Come Grow with Us". We do not want to be known as Parrish's best kept secret. We want the community to know we are a growing, vibrant church that embraces children and families. As a church family we are deeply committed to reaching the next generation of children and to helping families be spiritually engaged with each other. It is with much anticipation that we can look forward to what God is going to do as we reach out and invite others to "Come Grow with Us".

Stephen Ministry News

Meet our Stephen Minister
Bob Laymen



What Does Being A Stephen Ministry Mean To Me

A long sought after blessing that has equipped me with the tools to allow Jesus to “pour out” his “spirit and love” through us to others in need. Additionally, I feel and see Christ’s miracles working in ways I have never seen before. My friendship and relationship with fellow Stephen Ministers is a true blessing!

Thoughts and Feelings

I feel certain that when we take a deep breathe and slow down to prioritize our “creator Jesus Christ”, we learn to “Let Go” of fears, worries and doubts and goals. Big things begin to happen and life becomes a joy!

Motto For My Stephen Ministry

“My son, never forget the things I’ve taught you. If you want a long and satisfying life, closely follow my instructions. Never tire of loyalty and kindness”

Proverbs 3:1-3

Why this passage exemplifies Stephen Ministry

Read our bible daily as the #1 priority so we don’t forget. Also, it helps us “turn to God” for answers in our daily challenges. (Proverbs)

As Stephen Ministers, Jesus’ works through us in our faith and love and words for care receivers.

04 Fourth of July/Office Closed

Stephen Ministers are only the CAREgivers
Christ is the CUREgiver



PUMC MEAL MINISTRY

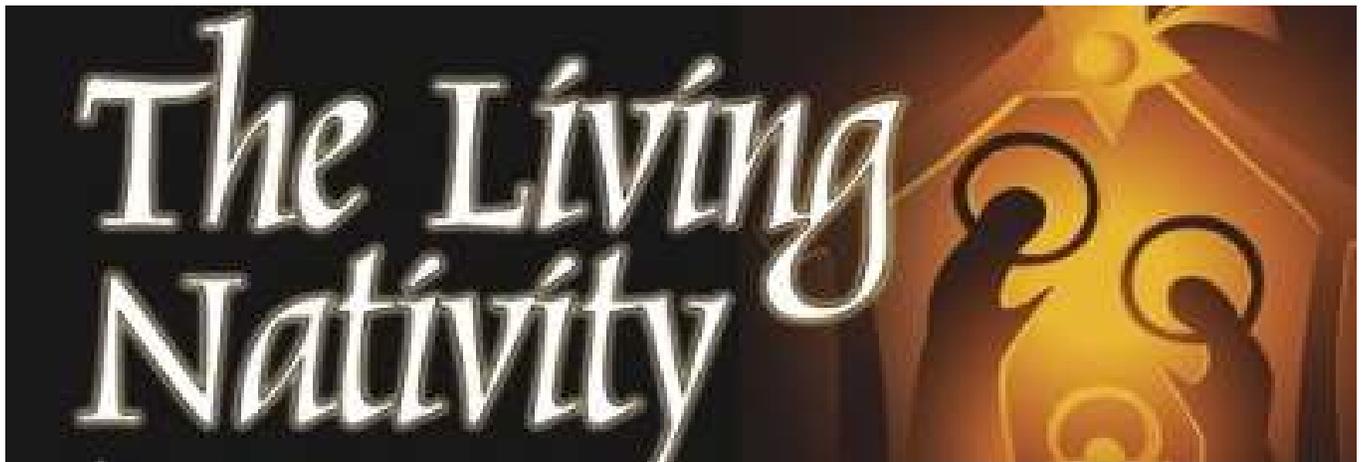
NEW

MEAL TRAINS are organized for significant life events, including illness, surgery, birth, death, etc. Caring family, friends and congregation members show their compassion or excitement through the organized delivery of meals.

PUMC now has the tools to create a personal meal train for our church family as the need arises. If you would like a personal meal train setup for you now or in the future, please call the church office (941.776.1539) or speak with a Stephen Minister. After your meal train has been created, the information will be communicated to our congregants so they are given an opportunity to provide and deliver a meal.



Hebrews 13:16 Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.



SAVE THE DATE!!!

Although the heat of the summer has not let up, fall and the holidays are right around the corner and planning for this year's *Living Nativity* is underway! This Parrish UMC tradition transforms the field behind the church into Israel over 2,000 years ago. Many volunteers are needed as we welcome guests into our *Sanctuary* and guide tours through the scenes surrounding the birth of Christ. **Make sure you mark your calendars for Friday and Saturday, December 9th and 10th from 6:30-8:30 PM.**

Route 66 Youth

...bringing Jesus Christ into the lives of teenagers through Bible study, prayer, and fellowship.

Youth Leaders – Joe & Julie McNaughton

**WELCOME TO
YOUTH GROUP!**

**Wednesday, August 3rd
6:30-8:00 pm
Youth Hall**

It's a "Super Hero Welcome" for our incoming 6th graders and any other new faces on **Wednesday, August 3rd** at 6:30 pm in the Youth Hall. Parents are also invited to stay and enjoy the ice cream bar, games and plans for the 2016-17 school year!

Summer Camp In Review:

Wow! Camp has come and gone— that was a fast week! The theme this year, "Thriving in the Desert," helped the campers explore their own personal 'deserts' through morning devotions, small group time, prayer stations, and evening worship. Our 24 students learned how to not just survive, but to grow, share and thrive throughout those tough times in our lives. Thank you to all the parents who prepared these kids for this exciting week, the drivers who safely got us all there and home, and our wonderful congregation for their spiritual and financial support! We are so blessed with such a wonderful church family!

High School "Connect":

As we nurture faith in our younger kids and teens through Sunday morning classes, we recognize that high school students connect in different ways. Many of our high school youth participate in Worship by playing in the band, running slides or passing out attendance pads. We feel that attending or participating in Sunday morning Worship provides these older teens with the opportunity to grow their faith into adulthood. Beginning **Sunday, September 7**, our high school students will "**Connect**" at 9:45 by either attending service with their family, or serving in a volunteer opportunity in either Worship or Children's Ministry. Looking for a "connection" to make on Sundays? See Mr. Joe in Room 109 and he will help you to "**Connect**" in



Connect

6th–12th graders are always welcome to join us in the Youth Hall from 6:30-8:00 pm on Wednesdays. We mix in fellowship and games in with our Bible lesson and would love to see you there! Please feel free to contact us with any questions you may have at mcaughton@parrishumc.com.

Building Team News

During the month of July the PUMC Building Team met with Don Lawson of the Lawson Group Architects in Lakewood Ranch. The Lawson Group Architects were the architects for our two previous building projects. Don introduced his company and the services they provide and delivered some very insightful commentary to the team. Lawson Group Architects have been involved with over 200 church building projects.

Our current facility was built in two phases; the first phase included the current sanctuary, kitchen and classrooms down to where the nursery is located, the second phase extended the building from the nursery to the southern end of the existing building. We are currently planning the third phase of our master plan which is the addition of a larger sanctuary, gathering area, offices and other needed space to be located south of our existing facility.

Execution of the third building phase requires a lot of planning, prayer, preparation and thoughtful consideration for what the future holds for our church and our role in this community. We believe the more time our team dedicates to planning and preparation the more effective our new building will be in promoting the vision and mission of our church in this community for the future.

Remember: Please keep our Building Team in daily prayer asking that the Holy Spirit guide our work and our decisions during this project.

A Word of Thanks

Words cannot adequately express the gratitude I feel for the outpouring of love and support that I have experienced during this difficult time. Your kindness to me during this period of extreme anxiety allowed me to focus entirely on the survival and recovery of my daughters. I have personally found out what it means to belong to the Body of Christ as I received emotional, financial and physical support beyond belief. It has not been an easy road, but traveling it with Fellow Christians is an experience I will never forget.

Sincerely,
Liz, Megan & Kenzie

Name Tags

Let's try to get to know each other by name. If you would like to order a magnetic name tag, call the office (776-1539). The cost is \$7.



YOUR NAME
HERE

PUMC Activity Calendar

August 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
EACH SUNDAY: Traditional Worship 8:15 AM Contemporary Worship 9:45 Blended Worship 11:11 AM Sunday School for All ages at 9:45 AM						
7	8	9 7:00 AM Worship Design 10:00 AM Bible Study 7:00 PM Stephen Ministry	10	11 9:00 AM Thrift Cottage Mtg. 7:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM Admin. Team 8:30 PM CrossLight Practice	12	13
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