



# News, Views, & Gospel Truths

EAST NAPLES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, APRIL 2019

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## We Wait For Jesus To Come Into Our Hearts

*In the same way, Christ was also offered once to take on himself the sins of many people. He will appear a second time, not to take away sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him. (Hebrews 9:28)*

The season of Lent and the season of Advent are very similar, both have to do with waiting. We wait for the Savior to come and rescue us from our sins. We wait for Jesus to come into our hearts and remove all of our burdens. Yes, we wait, we prepare and long for his total redemption.

Waiting is very difficult in today's world because we are so used to instant gratification. However, God calls us to wait.

Waiting on the Lord is not a passive and hopeless occupation. Waiting on the Lord is active. It is a hopeful attitude of the heart filled with trust, obedience, and confidence.

We, believers, wait at the foot of the cross, and we wait at the tomb of our troubles with the blessed assurance of the resurrection. Because, "He who promised is faithful!"

*Pastor Jacquie*

**ENUMC Volunteers—You Rock!**  
**Volunteer Appreciation Week**  
**April 7 - 13, 2019**

## FOLLOW YOUR STAR

*Dell Jenkins, 1992*

What star do you follow?  
What do you know?  
Is it wealth or business  
Or fame's gilded glow?  
Do you seek the learning  
Of why and the whens  
Of the earth and beginnings  
Of nature's whims?  
Or looking to the creator  
To see the far star  
That foretold the Messiah?  
Or do you bar  
From your soul and your mind  
The way you should go?  
I'll follow my star  
I'll seek its bright glow  
With love and with faith!  
The star from the east  
Is leading me forward  
Into compassion and peace!

# *THANK YOU ENUMC LAY SERVANTS!*

Dear ENUMC Lay Servants (Volunteers):

Happy Volunteer Appreciation Month! By a presidential decree, an entire month was set aside to recognize and celebrate the efforts of the thousands of men, women, and children who selflessly give of their time and talent to advance the cause of non-profit and charitable organizations.

On behalf of the Church Leadership Team, I would like to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to all of you who week after week, set aside time from your family, jobs, and other commitments to ensure the mission of ENUMC is being fulfilled.

ENUMC is blessed to have you and to benefit from your time, skills, expertise, and wisdom—we are better because of it and will continue on our journey to connect Christ to people through the love that overflows in our hearts.

Jesus was the first servant leader and by His example, we serve in excellence, in love, and in humility.

Although one week in April has been marked off in the special calendar of observances, let us each show our appreciation to each other not just during volunteer appreciation week (April 7-13) or the month of April, but continuously, and in love, acknowledging and valuing each other's contributions.

I truly love you all and appreciate your support in making ENUMC a great church home and a beacon in our community. Well done, thou good and faithful servants!

*Pastor Jacquie*

*"May the Lord  
Now show you kindness and faithfulness,  
And I too will  
Show you the same favor because you have done this."*

*2 Samuel 2:6*

# NOTES FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT



If you missed *The Jazz Phools*, you really missed it! They were absolutely wonderful! They even marched into the sanctuary parade style! Such a great audience! Many, many thanks to all the Concert Series supporters; for those who gave monetarily, for those who attended, and for those who prayed for success as an outreach into our community – thank you! We had a very successful year!

We've already started planning for next year! Please tentatively keep "open" the second Sunday of October through March at 3:00 pm for our series. If you would like to "give before you go," we would happily accept your donation to our series for this coming year. Doing so would help save us postage when sending out our usual donor letter. Please see Brent for a special envelope for your contribution.

For those of you on Facebook, please remember that our series has its own page. In Facebook, search for "ENUMC Concert Series" and follow and like our page. You can keep up to date with the goings on with the series and its related activities.

On another note, Jodie Desalvo will be presenting her "Broadway Baby" concert in April. The April 16<sup>th</sup> date has sold out and so an additional date (Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup>) has been added; the concert starts at 7:00 pm. Both of Jodie's sons, Frank and Benny, will be featured along with Madison Hilton. Go to <https://artisnaples.org/events/jodie-desalvo-041619> for tickets.

*Brent Nicholas*  
*Director of Music Ministries*

## FAMILY MINISTRIES

March was a special month for our youth. Jeni Tea, Amber Williams, Zach Berg, Marylyn Berg, and Victoria Poff confirmed their faith before our congregation and were received into membership. We praise God for the work He is doing in our youth.

In conjunction with our youth ministry, our church will host a healing service on Sunday, April 14 at 6:00 pm. in the sanctuary. This will be a special time of prayer, worship, and ministry as we allow the Holy Spirit to minister to us. We invite everyone to come at 5:30 pm to spend time in prayer before the service.

A new monthly men's Bible study will begin this month. The meetings will take place on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm in *Elsley Hall*, beginning on April 23.

In keeping with our Bishop's Fresh Expression initiative, on April 6, from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, our church will host a "Festival of Hope" at the Palm Lake Mobile Home Park. The "Festival of Hope" is an outreach event designed to share the love and hope of Christ with those around us.

May you experience the power of the Resurrected Christ afresh this Easter. Thank you for your continued prayers and support of our ministries!

*Pastor Edwin*  
*Director of Family Ministries*



## ATTENTION ALL MEN!

### Monthly Men's Bible Study

Begins,

**Tuesday, April 23rd @ 6:30 pm, Elsey Hall.**

**Tell a Brother, Bring a Friend, Invite a Co-worker!**

# GOODBYE, GOODNIGHT, TILL WE MEET AGAIN.



Member since 1984  
Died: March 21, 2019

## *Faithful Servant and Witness for the Lord!*

Dell wrote a poem everyday praising God. She compiled them into books and gave copies to many (read her poem, *Follow the Star*, on the front page of this newsletter). Dell also made comfy blankets for Vets, the ailing, those recovering from surgeries, or who were grief stricken. She sang in the choir, was active in United Methodist Woman (served as the secretary), and in the Joy Bible Study group. Dell was a faithful servant and witness for the Lord at ENUMC.



Member since 1987  
Died: March 23, 2019

## *So Patient and Kind. He Was Our Rescuer!*

Cletus and his wife Dana were integral parts of the fabric of what made this church a joy and comfort to so many.

Cletus was active in United Methodist Men and the men's Bible study group. He assisted by setting up coffee and pastries each week. He was also faithful to attend Tuesday's Fellowship Breakfast.

Pat Poorman shared this warm memory of Cletus:

*"Years ago, United Methodist Women had a yearly lunch and fashion show. The menu was a traditional one with hot chicken salad. We boiled 144 eggs and had a challenging time peeling off the shells. Cletus sat in the kitchen and peeled each one – it took him hours! So patient and kind. He was our rescuer."*

# MISSIONS



## PROJECT H.I.M.

**The Mission of the Month is Missionary Support** - Red cups and Helper In Mission calendars were handed out on Sunday, March 31. We hope that you will help us support missionaries from our congregation and around the world by participating in this project. These include our friends in North Africa, Allison Foster with the Jesus Film Project, Rachel Micke back from South Africa, Dick and Kay Stone with STORM Racing ministry, and the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). Each day as you look at your calendar,

remember how blessed you are and pray for those who don't have enough, who do not know God, and those who are serving as God's hands and feet in other parts of the world. Please bring your money-filled container with you to worship on April 28, May 5, or write a check for the amount. If you decide not to participate in this exercise but still would like to support, please write a check for \$43.90 or whatever you can give; mark it Missionary Support and place it in the offering plate on or before May 6. Read about our missionaries on the back of the calendars and pray for the work they do. THANK YOU!

## Florida United Methodist Children's Home— Fifth Sundays

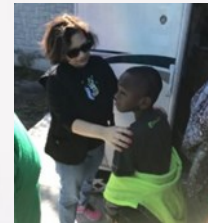
The Florida United Methodist Children's Home has been serving abused, neglected, and troubled children for more than 100 years. The Children's Home counts on the churches in the Florida Conference for a portion of their support. Can you help? The main campus is located in Enterprise, Florida with an additional campus, the Madison Youth Ranch, located in Pinetta, Florida. For more information go to [www.fumch.org](http://www.fumch.org)



# New People. New Places. New Ways.

Fresh Expressions exists to form faith communities that reach new people, in new places, by new ways. In 2014, Fresh Expressions began to take root in the Florida Conference thanks to the leadership of Bishop Ken Carter and others. Fresh Expressions has flourished and can be found in every district.

In an effort to bring Fresh Expressions to East Naples UMC and our community, we are planning an outreach to Palm Lake Mobile Home Park very near our church. The event will take place on Saturday, April 6.



We will offer a picnic meal, music, a message, prayers, story time, craft, distribution of gift bags for the children, and food bags for each household.

John Wesley was the first Methodist to try Fresh Expressions. He held services in prisons, orphanages and on street corners to spread Christ's message to the people where they were. May the Holy Spirit fill us so that we can continue to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.



## WAYS TO HELP:

Cash donations | Purchase items for food bags | Prayer | Help on day of event.

*Kris Clemmensen  
Missions Coordinator*

***“Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. I have set you as an example that you should do as I have done for you.”***

***John 13:14-15***

**HOLY THURSDAY SERVICE, APRIL 18 @ 7:00 PM**

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To all our faithful members and friends born  
during the month of April.  
We love and appreciate you!

We would like to celebrate you on Sunday,  
April 14, when the Fellowship Team will serve  
refreshments in the Gazebo after the 9:00 am service.

*All are invited!*

Rog Mosser	4/1	Al Micieli	4/13
Carol Powell	4/1	Pat Poorman	4/14
Lynn Cadenhead	4/2	Jackson Simera	4/14
Rita Murphy	4/2	Jacqueline Hennink	4/16
Amy McIntyre	4/3	Tom Milliren	4/17
Duane Poorman	4/3	Jayne Derf	4/18
Ann Ferrell	4/4	Stacy Robertson	4/19
Mallory Poff	4/4	Nancy Hargie	4/20
Robinson Jackie	4/4	Zachary Straub	4/20
Amber Williams	4/4	Graeme Clemmensen	4/21
T.J. Donahue	4/5	Kris Clemmensen	4/22
Danielle Poff	4/5	Albert Heasley	4/22
Ben Simera	4/6	Gerry Wolford	4/22
Clarice Williams	4/6	Barb Loewel	4/24
Joshua Stone	4/7	Carol McElroy	4/24
LuAnne Wahlstrom	4/7	Marcos Blanco	4/25
Ronna Boyer	4/8	Wilson Ruth R.	4/26
Daniel Jordan	4/8	Glenda White	4/27
Brad Beebe	4/9	Amber Brammeland	4/28
Kathy Johnson	4/9	Elaine Kaiser	4/28
Sandy Moore	4/10	Jean Brodhead	4/29
Mark Williams	4/10	Desiree Harrison	4/29
Jean Barger	4/11	Benjamin Simmons-Rosen	4/29
Julia Martinez	4/12	Jordan Zech	4/29
Rhonda Sleezer	4/12	Brandon Digirolamo	4/30
Lincy Antoine	4/13	Howard Moxam	4/30

## **From Mike Hargie, Coordinator, The Fellowship Team:**

As many of our friends will leave us for the summer, the Fellowship Team will celebrate birthdays for April through September, on April 14. If you have a birthday during these months, please stop by the Gazebo and let us celebrate with each other.

**Stamp Out Hunger** Saturday May 11th

**KNOW BEFORE YOU GO**

Seasonal Resident:  
You can donate your unopened, non-perishable food **BEFORE** you leave!!

**STARTING NOW:**

- Leave food donations in a bag by your mailbox
- OR bring donations to any postal branch

Clean out the pantry & help feed the hungry in Collier County!

Visit [collierharvest.org](http://collierharvest.org) or call 455-FOOD for more information



**Easter Celebration**

**Saturday April 13th 2019**

10:00 AM-NOON  
East Naples UMC  
2701 Airport Road South




The Bargain Nook is in need of jewelry and household items, especially towels.

Please donate these if you are able. Thank You!



**ROAR! VBS - Coming**  
**June 17-21 | 5:30pm-8:00pm**

We are looking for volunteers to help set-up and work at VBS. Registration applications for VBS will be available soon on the church website and the church office. If you are available to help with this amazing event, please contact Kris Chisholm, Director of Children's Ministries, 239-249-0970, [Kristin@enaples.org](mailto:Kristin@enaples.org).

# Farewell Dan

If you did not get an opportunity to meet Dan Burns, then you missed out on knowing him—one of the good ones!

Dan served ENUMC from April 2018 to April 2019 in the capacity of Bookkeeper. Dan helped bring the administration of the church's finances to a new level of professionalism and his spirit of excellence will be missed.

Blessed with a quick wit, wonderful sense of humor, and a warm disposition, Dan has the ability to put one at ease and make them feel like they were a part of a wonderful family. One endearing habit of his was to personally thank the church volunteers for the giving of their time and efforts. Dan is leaving ENUMC for personal reasons and the church leaders, staff, and volunteers who have gotten to know him, all wish him the very best in health and happiness.



Dan Burns, Bookkeeper, ENUMC  
April 2018 - April 2019



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# LENTEN/EASTER SERVICES

## Weekly Lenten Class

Thursdays

2:30 pm

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## Kids Easter Celebration

Saturday, April 13

10:00 am

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## Holy Thursday Service

Thursday, April 18

7:00 pm

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## Easter Sunday Services

Sunday, April 21

9:00 am & 11:15 am

## *Weekly Worship Service and Bible Study Schedule*

Day & Time	Event	Location
<b>Sunday</b>		
9:00 & 11:15 a.m.	Worship Services	Sanctuary
10:05 a.m.	Children/Youth Sunday School	Youth Building
10:05 a.m.	Adult Seekers Bible Study	Elsey Hall
3:00 p.m.	Servicio en Español	Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.	Servicio en Español	Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.	Youth Group	Christian Rock Café
<b>Monday</b>		
10:00 a.m.	Joy Bible Study	Elsey Hall
<b>Tuesday</b>		
10:00 a.m.	Growing Christians Bible Study	Elsey Hall
<b>Wednesday</b>		
6:00 p.m.	Wednesday Night Bible Study	Elsey Hall
6:00 p.m.	Kingdom Quest Kids	Youth Building
7:30 p.m.	Estudio Biblico	Elsey Hall
<b>Thursday</b>		
7:30 p.m.	Estudio Biblico	Elsey Hall