



October 2019
East Naples United Methodist Church

News, Views, & Gospel Truths



UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER 6, 6:00 PM
HOPE & HEALING SERVICE
Palm Lake Mobile Park

OCTOBER 13, 9:30 AM
HISPANIC HERITAGE SUNDAY
ENUMC Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall

OCTOBER 13, 3:00 PM
CONCERT: YOUNG ARTISTS
RECITAL
ENUMC Sanctuary

OCTOBER 20, 4:30 PM
2019 CHARGE CONFERENCE
ENUMC Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall

Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints. (Hosea 10:12)

It has been said, "Prayer is the backbone of the church." It is also, the backbone of our lives. Only through prayer and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ can the church effectively fulfill the great commission Jesus Christ entrusted to us.


We are called to intercede for one another and to pray without ceasing for his kingdom to come and His will to be done in our midst.

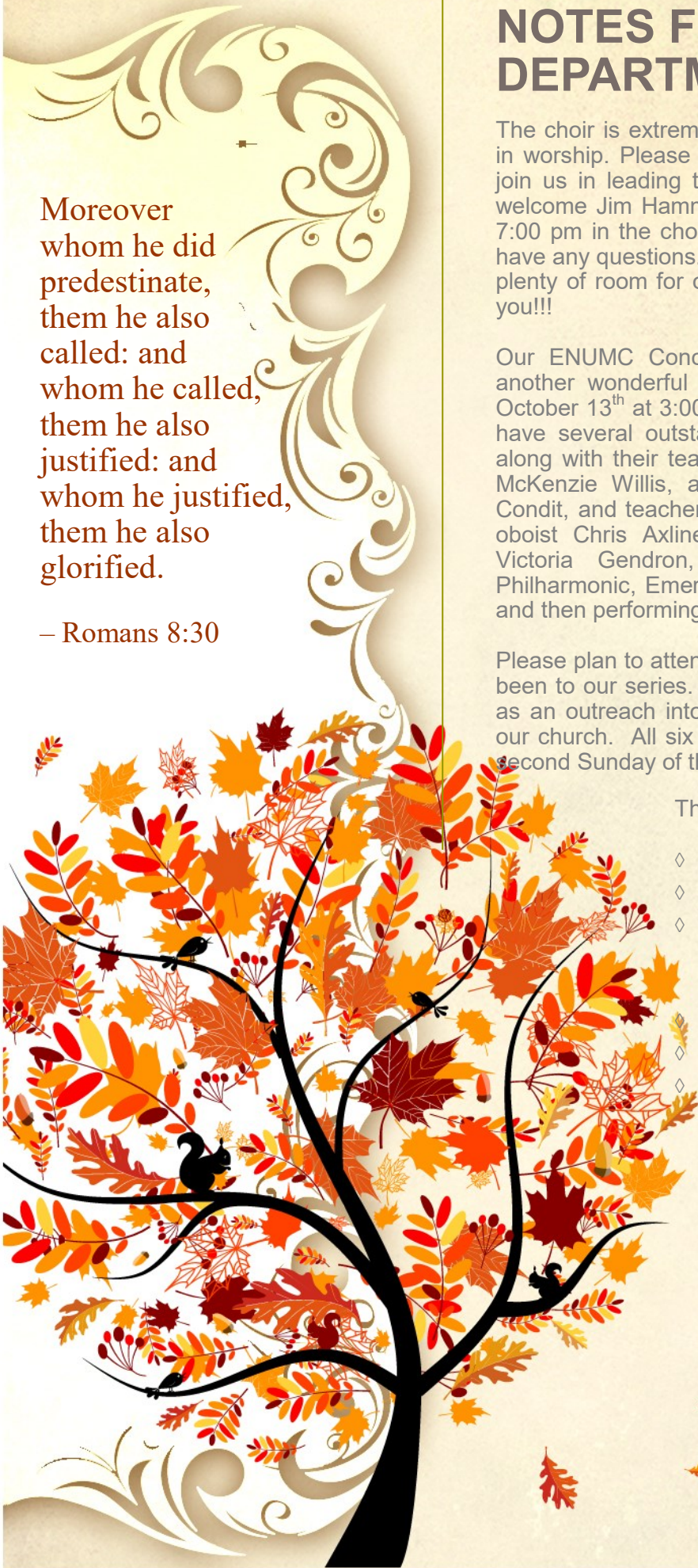
Through prayer, the presence of God is released. Through prayer, the transformative power of the Holy Spirit changes our lives.

Through prayer, the chains of addiction are broken. Through prayer, revival comes and the passion for Christ and compassion for others is renewed in our hearts. Through prayer, the church is awakened and growth begins to take place.

Friends, prayer is the key that opens the unlimited blessings God has for our disposal.

Peace to you and yours,
Pastor Jacquie



A large, stylized black tree trunk with many branches, covered in vibrant autumn leaves in shades of orange, yellow, and red. Several small black birds are perched on the branches. The background features large, flowing white and gold swirls that frame the text on the left and top.

Moreover
whom he did
predestinate,
them he also
called: and
whom he called,
them he also
justified: and
whom he justified,
them he also
glorified.

— Romans 8:30

NOTES FROM THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

The choir is extremely glad to be back and actively participating in worship. Please know we are ALWAYS looking for others to join us in leading the service in song and praise. We'd like to welcome Jim Hammel to the choir. Practices are Wednesday at 7:00 pm in the choir room. Please, please contact Brent if you have any questions. We would love to have you with us. There is plenty of room for others!!! I'm sure we have a choir robe to fit you!!!

Our ENUMC Concert Series is almost ready to kick off for another wonderful season! Our first concert of the season is October 13th at 3:00 pm. It will be a Young Artist Recital. We will have several outstanding and accomplished young musicians, along with their teachers performing. Performers include pianist McKenzie Willis, and teacher, Jodie DeSalvo; singer Sophia Condit, and teacher, Carolann Sanita; trumpeter James Popper, oboist Chris Axline, and teacher, Judy Christy; and violinist Victoria Gendron, and Co-Concertmaster of the Naples Philharmonic, Emerson Millar. They will all be doing solo pieces and then performing together in a duet.

Please plan to attend and bring someone with you that has never been to our series. Please remember why we have this series – as an outreach into our community to try and bring people into our church. All six concerts on the series are scheduled for the second Sunday of the month at 3:00 pm, October through March.

The schedule is as follows:

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| ◇ October 13: | Young Artists Recital |
| ◇ November 10: | The Music of Gershwin |
| ◇ December 8: | The Mistletones - an a cappella quintet singing Christmas favorites |
| January 12: | Jodie & Friends |
| ◇ February 9: | Totally Broadway |
| ◇ March 8: | Bluegrass Gospel |

We hope you will put these dates on your calendar and make every possible effort to bring someone with you to every concert! Next month's concert will feature two jazz trumpet players – Dan Miller and Randy Sanke playing the music of Gershwin on 11/10/19.

Concert Series donor letters have gone out. If you didn't receive one, please let Brent know so he can get one to you. Next year's series all depends on your support this season!

Brent Nicholas
Director of Music Ministries

CLERGY APPRECIATION MONTH

The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching.

1 Timothy 5:17

On the calendar of holidays, one of the observances for October is for the appreciation of those who serve or preside over a religious congregation. While the second Sunday of the month is set aside as Clergy Appreciation Day, members of a congregation can use the entire month to find unique ways to communicate to their Pastors and other members of the Clergy what their service means to them.

ENUMC, how will you honor Pastors Jacquie and Edwin?

These two serve in so many different capacities and extend their gifts of time and their talents to uplift, encourage, and minister to the needs of not only the members of this congregation, but of others in neighboring communities.

The internet is chock-full of "out of the box" ideas on how you can honor your Pastor or religious leader. Of the many, here are five of the more meaningful ones:

1. Handwritten Notes or Letters
2. Vacation Get-a-ways
3. Gift Cards (to their, not your, favorite outlets)
4. Invitation to an outing or family event
5. Prayer

This year, Clergy Appreciation Day is Sunday, October 13, 2019.

2019 CHARGE CONFERENCE

The names below were entered into the annual charge conference minutes in 2017. This is the third year they will be entered into the minutes. At the charge conference, church members will vote to remove the names listed below.

Do you know any of the people listed? If so, and if the people would like to remain as members of the church, please have them contact the church office.

Andersen, Barbara
Bain, Charles & Karen
Beaver, Jeanne
Brown, Robert
Cadenhead, Robert & Lynn
Cicchetti, Christopher
Crouse, Dan & Julia
Doel, Michelle
Dowling, Marie
Englund, Frank & Mary
Gonzalez, Joislyn
Graham, Lorijane
Guajardo, Nicolas & Holli
Heasley, David & Susan

Heasley, Aubree
Hendry, Logan
Hendry, Roy
Hendry-Fralick, Jill
Krivda, Clark
Leach, Frances
Long, Arthur (Bob)
Mandry, Paul
Marvin, Denise
McMasters, Herbert
Meadows, Norma
Merchant, Helen
Olmstead, Kevin & Evelyn
Pence, Jeffery

Poppins, Gwendolyn
Russel, Jayson
Shannon, Evelyn
Shock, Frederick & Patricia
Snyder, Richard & Nora
Straub, Brian & Nicholas
Styberg, Bernice
Thurston, Bert & Sharon
Valdez, Carolen
Weibling, Nora
Worthy, Dianne
Zech, Brian, Michelle, & Jordan

ENUMC'S HISPANIC HERITAGE

Pastor Gary Connor served the East Naples United Methodist Church (ENUMC) from 1973 – 1975. Two years prior, a family of mixed heritage had made the courageous journey from Cuba to Miami and then across to Naples. Exploring her new surroundings one day, the mother and wife, Udene Torres, saw a sign for the East Naples United Methodist Church and made a bold declaration of faith, "This will be my church."

Though she was born in Cuba, Udene, has a proud British heritage from parents who were from the Cayman Islands and Jamaica. The mixture afforded her the luxury of being bi-lingual (speaking fluent English and Spanish); the same was not true of her husband, Andres, and three children. However, that did not stop the family from seeking to worship at an English-speaking church.



When Pastor Connor got to know the family and further, that the language barrier existed, what he did was one of the most outstanding acts of Christian and human kindness ever.

He made a commitment to meet with the family, and with a dictionary as his aid, delivered a sermon in Spanish so that the entire family would, together, receive the Word of God. Pastor Connor did this every Sunday afternoon at 4:00 pm until he was transferred out of ENUMC.

How awesome! Just like Jesus, Pastor Connor made a bold declaration of faith and love and showed one family that they were worthy. Pastor Connor sacrificed not only his time, but also his ego—after all, he could not speak the Spanish language—to share God's word, and to ensure that two grown ups and three small children, received the sacraments of their Methodist faith.

The Torres Family blazed the trail for what is today the Hispanic Ministry of ENUMC. With Udene's persistence and the guidance of the Holy Spirit, she was led to find the right contacts within the Florida United Methodist Conference to approve the establishment of ministry in 1987.

Without a local Pastor to lead, Pastors came from all over Florida to officiate over services on Sundays. The road has been a rocky one for the ministry, but the Torres Family and a few others including Udene's brother, Howard Moxam, his wife Isabel, and their daughters have persevered. Today, Pastor Orlando Ramirez serves as the local Pastor.

The members of the Hispanic Ministry are a part of the family of ENUMC and of course, also a part of our wider family as equal sons and daughters of God. Let us celebrate with them and embrace them with the love of Christ and hopefully, with the love from our hearts.

Over the last few years at ENUMC, the second Sunday of October (October 13) has been set aside to worship in a combined service with the members of the Hispanic Ministry.

Rev. Dan Jackson, the new District Superintendent of the Florida Southwest District, will deliver the sermon.

We look forward to seeing you at the worship service scheduled for 9:30 am and at the brunch which will be held immediately following the service.

This is good, and
pleases God our
Savior, who
wants all people
to be saved and to
come to a
knowledge of the
truth.

-1 Timothy 2:3-4



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

A very happy, prosperous, and joyous birthday to you . We pray for a fresh anointing of God's grace to meet with you and usher you through yet another year of your life.



Judy Blake	10/3	Deb Nelson	10/11	Marilyn Patterson	10/18
Jessica Chronister	10/5	Judy Klement	10/12	Gwen Schoonover	10/18
Rauldel Garcia	10/5	Jim Keefer	10/14	Bud Lightner	10/25
Devin Oetman	10/8	Polly Perry	10/15	Arne Nelson	10/27
Bian Spieth	10/8	Patty Quade	10/15	Romelle Lemley	10/28
Sheri Warren	10/8	Ginny Watson	10/15	Bonnie Shields	10/28
Joyce Francisco	10/9	Dick Pautvein	10/16	Mitzi Cobb	10/29
Ivy Peden	10/9	Lucy Spieth	10/17	Laura Eden	10/29
Tom Thompson	10/9	Lily Chronister	10/18	Barb Ray	10/29
Kathy Fogler	10/10	Kay Light	10/18	Pearl Holt	10/31

AN INVITATION TO PRAY & FAST



When I heard these things, I sat down and wept. For some days I mourned and fasted and prayed before the God of heaven.

Nehemiah 1:4

Please join Pastor Jacquie and Pastor Edwin in prayer this month of October. We will be praying and fasting for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our church and in our community. We invite you to pray and fast as the Lord leads you and as you are able. Some might fast a meal at a time and spend that time in prayer and some might fast other things (social media, etc.) in order to focus more time on seeking the Lord; follow what the Lord lays in your heart to do as we pray and seek the Lord this October. Let's ask God and believe together for a fresh work of His Spirit in our midst!



COLLEGE STUDENT UPDATE



Hi Church Family,

Many of you already know me but for those who may not, I am Zuri. I attend Hodges University and I am currently working on my Bachelor Degree in Computer Information Technology.

Life has been pretty busy these last few months. I have been blessed with the opportunity to serve at ENUMC as the office assistant where I am constantly learning life, spiritual, and professional skills.

I am grateful to work alongside such loving and caring staff.

When I'm not in the office or doing homework, I can be found planning my next adventure to mark off my bucket list. This summer I had the opportunity to swim with Dolphins while visiting Varadero, Cuba—an absolute dream come true!

Now I am looking forward to our next trip to Noah's Ark Encounter and the Creation Museum in Williamstown, Kentucky where I hope to expand my understanding of the scriptures.

Blessings,
Zuri Moxam

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES



Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! The college care packages were mailed and delivered last month to 15 students. Your thoughtful donations are always greatly appreciated and help these students feel God's love. Fall mid-terms, especially for first-year students, can be extremely stressful. A little Christian love and homemade brownies really make a difference.





FAMILY MINISTRIES

We are excited for what God is doing in our church. Our Wednesday night Bible study continues to be a source of spiritual nourishment and renewal. For the next few weeks, our discussions will include Spirit-filled spirituality, spiritual warfare, and discipleship. Those in attendance continue to report what a blessing this Bible study is to them. We meet every Wednesday at 6:00 pm in Elsey Hall. Everyone is welcome!

On Sunday, October 6 from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm, we will have our Hope and Healing night at Palm Lake Mobile Home Park. This will be an outreach of our church and it will consist of a healing service open to the community; communion will be given at the end. We will be sharing the hope, love, and healing of Jesus with our friends at Palm Lake. Our youth group will be a vital part of this event by helping us serve refreshments and connecting those in attendance to our church. Please pray for God to open the hearts of those who attend this event so that they can receive good news of the Lord Jesus Christ.

We are looking forward to our Youth Night at the Beach, which will take place on October 13. We will have our food, fun, worship, and Bible lesson at the beach! Our youth will also be reaching out to our community by participating in Grace Place's Family Literacy event on October 26; Paul Clemmensen will bring the youth to this event in Pastor Edwin's absence. Thank you, Paul.

Thank you for your prayers and support of our ministries!

Pastor Edwin,
Director of Family Ministries

THE BARGAIN NOOK

The Bargain Nook has a brand new, knee scooter for sale in the shop. The retail is over \$300 and it is on sale for \$100. This scooter would be great following foot surgery or any foot issues and comes with the paperwork and a basket. Please let your friends know and come by the store soon.

The Bargain Nook also has fall decorations and Halloween costumes on display. Come see us! Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 am-1:00 pm.

Happy Fall Y'all!

MISSIONS

October Mission of the Month - Operation Christmas Child (OCC)

Shoeboxes will be distributed on Sunday, October 13. If you have filled a shoebox in the past and want to do that again this year, that would be wonderful. We have filled between 80-100 shoeboxes in the past and that is our goal again this year.

Along with our congregation - families from The Learning Center, our Cub Scout Pack, and students from the Fellowship of Christian Athletes at Baron Collier High School, will be filling shoeboxes.

If you want to help in another way you may make a general donation to OCC to help us purchase the shoeboxes OR you may contribute to purchase *The Greatest Journey*— a 12-lesson discipleship curriculum that is taught to many of the recipients of shoeboxes. The children receive a workbook, graduation certificate, and New Testament in their home language. The cost of this curriculum is \$6.00 per student. You will help share the gospel of Christ around our world.

The shoeboxes will be due back by November 17.

Kris Clemmensen
Mission Coordinator





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Weekly Worship Service and Bible Study Schedule

Come Join Us, We Look Forward to Welcoming You!

<i>Day & Time</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Location</i>
Sunday		
9:30 a.m.	Worship Services	Sanctuary
10:35 a.m.	Children/Youth Sunday School	Youth Building
10:35 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
Monday		
10:00 a.m.	Joy Bible Study	Elsey Hall
Tuesday		
10:00 a.m.	Growing Christians Bible Study	Elsey Hall
Wednesday		
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
Thursday		
7:30 p.m.	Estudio Biblico	Elsey Hall