

Port Orange United Church of Christ

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SENIOR PASTOR'S MESSAGE



Summer greetings everyone,

I'm sure many of you charge your batteries a few times every week. You may charge your cell phone, tablet, notebook computer, Kindle, GPS, hearing aids, home phone ... your body, brain and soul.

Yes we need to recharge our bodies, brains and souls along with all the electronic gadgets we just can't seem to live without. So how do we charge ourselves up? A good night sleep is the best way for our bodies to get ready for another busy day. We need to fuel up with good foods and plenty of water. We also need to take some time off from our regular routine and relax for a period of time.

We all know how to take care of ourselves although so many do not do it. I believe we need to follow the example of Jesus.

Jesus would walk from town to town, teach, pray, heal and raise the dead from sun up to sun down. But we also find many times where Jesus went off to be alone. He would pray and meditate away from everyone because he needed to recharge himself by being alone with his thoughts and prayers with his Father.

We need to follow this great example and take time to recharge ourselves with time alone with God. In prayer we find our brains cleansed and our souls healed.

Enjoy your summer vacations, long weekend trips and quick naps. Also take the time to be with God in prayer.

God's blessings to all,



PASTOR'S THOUGHTS

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OPERATION'S TEAM

Greetings to all POUCC Members & Friends,

Your Operations Team (Bob Brewster, Art Horton & Trey Thompson) have been hard at work keeping up with the challenges associated with keeping our property in good working order. Below are some of the things we are currently doing.

New Roof Charlie Mix (classroom) Building - because of storm damage last March 2018, we have been approved by our insurance company to have a new roof installed this summer. This will cost us \$1,000 for the deductible and approximately another \$1,000 for new gutters (the old gutters are both too small and out of life). The shingles will closely match those on the Jim Reed Building. We are very fortunate to have this opportunity before a major storm does damage that could lead to more costly damage to the building and contents. The new roof will have a 50-year warranty for materials and 15-years for workmanship. The gutters will be 6" seamless and much better for handling the type of rain runoff we are now experiencing.

Sanctuary Audio Assist System - the audio assist system in the sanctuary has not been functioning well for years. Recently two of the three receivers have failed. We now have a new system with six (6) receivers for those who are hearing impaired. The system was installed June 17th and will be available for all services and events in the sanctuary. The old system would have cost \$1,500 to replace. We were able to secure a similar system for \$300, which is a considerable savings for something that we badly needed.

Financial Investments - the church has approximately \$80,000 held in accounts that produce little to no income. We are researching betters ways for us to invest these funds in a prudent manner that can augment our church budget. The goal is 8%-10% for an annual return.

Church Grounds - our church grounds require continuous attention. Many of you have already noticed that we have been spot painting the church exterior, which is keeping our building looking good. However, weeds, tree branches, over gown areas, etc. are getting ahead of us. It has become clear that occasional church workdays cannot keep up with this work. We are researching having a paid crew come in two times a year for purposes of cutting back all trees, shrubs, and area where growth is starting to become too thick. This will become a budget item just like the weekly mowing.

Veterans Chapel - the growth around Veterans Chapel has gotten to the point that we must do something. Operations is looking at possible ways to clear the Veterans Chapel area and landscape along Taylor Road.

In summary, keeping our church facilities functioning properly and looking good is a constant job. This is necessary not just for our own usage but also for those other events that our church hosts during the year. To accomplish this we need to keep investing financial resources. Anyone wishing to contribute financially to a church maintenance fund can do so by designating that the funds go toward church maintenance. In addition, if you would like to make a specific contribution for something like the Roof Replacement Deductible (\$1,000), New Gutters (\$1,000), Audio Assist System (\$300), Grounds maintenance, Building Maintenance, etc. please write a check for the amount you wish to contribute and how you want the funds used. All contributions of any size will be put to excellent use.

Thanks to everyone who help to make our church a great place for worship and community service.



July 14th is Invite a Friend to Church Sunday.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Operational Budget as 5/31/2019

	MAY	YTD	BUDGET	DIFFERENC
Income	\$ 11,702	\$ 69,954	\$ 59,917	\$ 10,037
Expenses	<u>\$ 13,553</u>	<u>\$ 69,201</u>	<u>\$ 70,239</u>	(\$ 1,038 <u>)</u>
Balance	\$ (1,851)	\$ 753	\$ (10,323)	

Please note that the income and expenses do not include missions or choir. May was a fairly typical month expense wise. We did have to pay our Florida UCC Conference Annual Dues. Thanks you for your continued support. Hal Francis. Treasurer

MISSION NOTES

Spruce Creek Elementary 's "KASH FOR KIDS" continues through July. To date we have collected \$370. This mission helps provide children in need with a variety of necessities to aid in their education. Sophie's Circle, The Sock Box, Eyeglass Collection Basket and Aluminum Can Tab Jug Collections continues year round. Your Missions Team





STRENGTHEN THE CHURCH OFFERING: Thanks to your donations we received \$215 for the Strengthen the Church Offering. Your gift will plant new churches, awaken new ideas in existing churches, and help develop the spiritual lives of our youth and young adults.

THE GIFT AND THRIFT STORE



The Thrift Store is doing well. Thanks to Tony, Judy and Ann for helping to bring in four loads of furniture. We have the best furniture showroom thanks to Susan Bussard and Ann Tobin. If sales continue strong we will reach \$17,500 for the year. We have been blessed by all the donations we receive. We still need summer volunteers. Our shifts are only three hours 9:00AM-Noon and Noon to 3:00 PM. Recently one of our patrons who is a Thrift Store shopper commented that our Store is the cleanest and has the best selection of items and our volunteers have the best personalities. Thank you to all our volunteers. Bob Gaither, Manager

YOUR FOOD BASKET DONATIONS

Communion Sundays are designated as "Fill the Food Basket" Sunday. As a reminder, July 7th is our next collection day and will benefit Halifax Urban Ministers. Over 15 bags of food were collected last month which benefited the Pantry. Thanks to Chuck Konopsky and Mary Ann Stewart for loading and delivering the food. If we all bring a food donation, we will fill the basket each month. Please be generous and make sure all donations have NOT passed their expiration dates (clearly marked on all cans, boxes, and containers).



NEWS & NOTES



LADIES LUNCHEON: For July will be held at Coastal Grill & Raw Bar in Port Orange on Wednesday, July 10 at 11:30 AM. Sign-up sheet will be circulated at Worship Services.



Ruth Gilbert will be residing at Port Orange Nursing Home after her recent fall. Her new address is: 5600 Victoria Gardens Blvd., Port Orange, FL 32127, 386-760-7777 or Ruth Gilbert, c/o Chusko, 15 Black Jack Circle, Port Orange, FL 32127. She would love to stay in touch via visits, cards or phone call



JULY BIRTHDAYS*

Tommy Buller	7/2
Kristin Marshall	7/7
Teddy Yaeger	7/11
Dallas Davis	7/13
Linda Rodgers	7/16
Michael Dotson	7/17
Nicholas Yaeger	7/21
Erika Henderson	7/22
Bonnie Morisset	7/24
Helen Holmes	
Leree Nicholls	7/26
Van Thompson	
Carol Rogers	7/27
Kimberly Dotson	7/28
Shawn Wheeler	7/30

JULY ANNIVERSARIES*

Billy & Peggy Wiggins	7/2/1977
Don & Kay Schweitzer	7/7/2009
Tom & Gail Besaw	7/18/1970
Jack & Pat Hilgenberg	7/19/1958
Rev. Raymond & Cora Hargrove	7/20/2001

Note: *Please contact the church office to update our records if we missed your special date or to add a Prayer Concern.

PRAYER REQUESTS*

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Corinne & John Anderson	Friends of Sheila Fisher
John & Rose Baker	Members of the Fodor Family
The Blake Family	Friends of Sheila Fisher
Wendy Bumpass	Friend of the Buller Family
Beth & Chris Brown	Family of Sheila Fisher
Aydan & Blake Buller	Members of POUCC
Brittany Calabas	Friend of Anne Tobin
Jewel Carter	Daughter of Helen Holmes
Karen Coffey	Family of Sandy Kransi
Amy Dyer	Friend of Sheila Fisher
June Ferreri	Former Member of POUCC
Ruth Gilbert	Member of POUCC
Roger & Shirley Harper	Members of POUCC
Pvt. Jack & Lisa Hearten	Family of Kay Schweitzer
Frank Hilgenberg	Brother of Jack Hilgenberg
Jack & Pat Hilgenberg	Members of POUCC
Eric Holbrook	Nephew of the Brewster's
Susan Jones	Family of Bonnie Morisset
Kristin Keeling	Friend of POUCC
Scott Kirlin	Husband of Diane Kirlin
Sophie Kirtley	Friend of POUCC
Roger Kobert	Friend of Sheila Fisher
Margaret Matyok	Sister of Ernie Fodor
Liz Mills	Friend of the Brewster Family

Leslie Neese Friend of the Stewart Family
Deb Pack Member of POUCC
Archie Pickels Brother of Bonnie Morisset
Bruce Roberts Brother of Sandy Kransi

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Joe & Carol Rogers Members of POUCC
The Root Family Friends of Bonnie Morisset

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John Shell Son of Sue Barhite

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Dale Speakman Cousin of Faith Coppolo

Joe Vogel Friend of the Kransi Family
Eric Walter Friend of the Buller Family

Al & Frieda Wilson Friends of Sheila Fisher

In Care Facilities

Jeanette Campbell Member of POUCC (Care Center in MA)

June Ferreri Member of POUCC (Care Center in PA)

Marge Monat Member of POUCC (Care Center in DB)

Eloise Wottke Friend of POUCC (Care Center in WI)
Beverly Woodacre Member of POUCC (Care Center in NY)

Special Needs

All of Our Military, Veterans & Their Families
Those Fighting Terrorism Worldwide
First Responders Everywhere

Pouce July 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Compassionate Friends Meeting 6:00 pm Deacon's Meeting 6:30 pm	2	3	Office & Thrift Store Closed	5	6
7 Communion Sunday 8:45 & 10:45 am Adult Discussion & CPT 9:45 am	Operation's Meeting 6:30 pm	9	10 Ladies Luncheon Coastal Grill & Raw Bar 11:30 am Palmetto House 5:30 pm	11	12	13
14 Contemporary 8:45 am Adult Discussion & CPT 9:45 am Traditional 10:45 am	Council Meeting 6:30 pm	16	17	Line Dancing 6:00 pm	19	20
21 Contemporary 8:45 am Adult Discussion & CPT 9:45 am Traditional 10:45 am	22	23	24	Line Dancing 6:00 pm	26	27
28 Contemporary 8:45 am Adult Discussion & CPT 9:45 am Traditional 10:45 am	29	30	31			

Thrift Store Hours: M-F 9 am - 3 pm, Sat, 9am - 12 pm Church Office Hours: M-F 9 am - 1 pm

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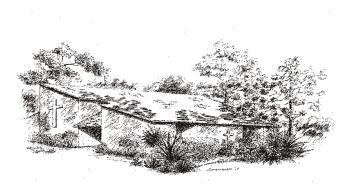
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Office Hours

9:00 AM-1:00 PM

Monday—Friday

Thrift Store Hours

9:00 AM—3:00 PM

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Saturday

9:00 AM—Noon

Sunday Worship

8:45 AM & 10:45 AM

Adult Discussion

 $9:45~\mathrm{AM}$