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MODERATOR'S MESSAGE



In this June newsletter, Pastor Glenn Rice will have retired on Sunday May 29 and as your Moderator I am writing both the Pastor's and the Moderator's messages together. As best as we can remember, Ruth & I first started attending Port Orange United Church of Christ (POUCC) sometime early 2004. We can only remember that it was the last service for Rev Bill Mulford who was the Pastor at

that time. Since then, we have experienced many changes in Pastors and in members. In all of this time, then as now, we recognized all the many things our church was doing and the help and support it was providing to so many people both members and friends. Many times, over the past 18 years we have stated that POUCC "is a big church in a small package". What we meant by this statement was that with all the various activities, missions, choirs, praise team, thrift store, church events, beach sunrise service, fellowship dinners, multi-church services, etc., our church was doing a lot all the time. We were experiencing a church with an energy level of doing things not present in many churches our size and we heard remarks from many other churches that confirmed this fact when speaking about us. I mention this today in this June 2022 Newsletter because we are about to embark on a new voyage with each other. The POUCC ship (our church property) although looking the same is now in many ways much stronger than it was in the past. The crew (our staff, members and volunteers) maybe smaller in number but is no less dedicated and perhaps even smarter and better than past crews for getting things done. The mission (why we are here) is still to spread the word of Jesus and to bring his message into the lives of others. I may even go so far as to say that spreading the word and being a place for people to go to receive this message at this time in our country's history could not be greater. Here in Florida, it is easy to wake up every morning and go through the day without a whole lot of cares in what the rest of the world is doing. After all, we are living in "Paradise", as many of us like to say. It is hard to argue that point when observing what is happening elsewhere but that is exactly the point I want to make here. When there is chaos all around. When there is evil happening somewhere else in the world. When there is disaster occurring that we can watch in real time on TV or on our Smart phone wherever we are, we need to realize that we are just as vulnerable.

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MODERATOR'S MESSAGE CONTINUED

When I was flight instructing students, I always told my students that when you could see storms on the horizon but the aircraft was in smooth air and all the instruments were reading normal and the plane was flying itself, it was time to "wake up" because something bad could be happening and you would not see it until it was too late. I would tell them to "always keep checking their instruments". "Do not become complacent". Well, I am going to say the same thing to all you in this message. We need our church here at POUCC more than ever and it needs us more than ever. We need to be observant and we need to support each other. We need to keep renewing our faith in Jesus, in God, in the fact that we all have a mission here in this life, and that mission does not end until we gasp our last breath. We are the crew. Our church is the ship. In June we will be taking new steps forward with each other and with new Pastors helping us by leading the way. Let's be positive and excited about what is to come! I know we are!

Bob Brewster, Moderator

LOOKING FORWARD

As we welcome the start of another month, we also are excited to welcome Rev. Patricia Holcomb and Rev. William Dunlap to the congregation. Rev. Pat will as serve as our "Bridge Pastor" through the Summer months and will begin leading our Worship Service on June 12th. Rev. Bill will lead the Service on June 5th, Pentecost Sunday. We are blessed to have them both join us. As a reminder, beginning June 5th our Combined Worship Service will begin at 9:30 AM.



MISSION'S NOTES



STRENGTHEN THE CHURCH—June 5th: The Strengthen the Church offering supports the expansion and growth of UCC local congregations. Your support of this offering will help the of ministry UCC fulfill on its commitment to creating a just world for all by investing in new ministries and practices that meet the emerging needs of local communities. As God calls our congregations to be the church in new ways, your generosity will plant new churches, awaken new ideas in existing churches and develop the spiritual life in our youth and young adults.

FOOD BASKET SUNDAY

Communion Sundays are designated as "Fill the Food Basket" Sunday. As a reminder, June 5th is our next collection day. Over 23 bags of food were collected last month which benefited Halifax Urban Ministries. Thanks to Chuck Konopsky and Mary Anne 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).





SECOND THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP



Thanks to Sharon Williamson, her Committee and you the members, for the great and varied dishes that were shared at the monthly Fellowship Dinners. Fellowship Dinners will be taking the summer off and returning in September.

THE GIFT AND THRIFT STORE

The Thrift Store is thriving! Thanks to all our great volunteers, patrons and those who donate. We are presently in need of furniture items. With your help, we can continue to help the Church and the community. *Bob Gaither, Manager*



OPERATION'S & FINANCE TEAM



Financial Update

Operational Budget as 4/30/2022

| | ACTUAL | YTD ACTUAL | YTD BUDGET | DIFFERENCE | |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--|
| | <u>April 2022</u> | <u>April 2022</u> | <u>April 2022</u> | <u>April 2022</u> | |
| Income | \$ 13,803.75 | \$ 45,578.61 | \$ 44,524.40 | \$ 1,054.21 | |
| Expenses | <u>\$ 13,656.61</u> | \$ 57,809.68 | \$ 57,453.48 | <u>\$ 356.20</u> | |
| Profit/(Loss | s) \$ 147.14 | \$ (12,231.07) | \$ (12.929.08) | \$ 698.01 | |

We actually had a profit of \$147.14 in April and a year to date loss of \$12,231.07 which is \$698.01 less than our year to date budgeted loss. This is mostly due to the amazing job the Thrift Store team is doing. We also had contributions of \$2,100.00 in April towards our Spring into Life Campaign. Our thanks go out to all who have contributed to the Campaign and who support our church in general. With God's blessings, Respectfully Submitted, *Barbara Horton*, *Treasurer*



REMEMBER
DAD ON
JUNE 19th!



JUNE BIRTHDAYS*

| Diane Kirlin | 6/1 |
|----------------|------|
| Bob Gaither | 6/2 |
| Ruth Brewster | |
| Delana Pack | |
| Madison Hobson | 6/8 |
| Barbara Boon | |
| Pam Protko | 6/13 |
| Carole Crippen | 6/18 |
| Susan Bussard | 6/19 |
| Bill Greiff | 6/21 |
| Charlie Baskin | |
| Jimmy Goodman | 6/25 |
| Sean Senko | 6/29 |
| | |

| JUNE |
|-----------------------|
| ANNIVERSARIES* |

Dr. Ted & Cheri Yaeger, Jr.
Bill & Doreen Wheeler
Art & Barbara Horton



6/07/1987 6/24/1972

6/28/1975

Note: *Please contact the church office to update our records if we missed your special date. or with your Prayer Concerns 788-0920.

PRAYER REQUESTS*

| Corinne & Jim Anderson | Friends of Sheila Fisher |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Jennifer Anderson | Family of the Batturs |
| Jordan Armbruster | Friend of POUCC |
| Charlie & Molly Baskin | Members of POUCC |
| Barbara Boon | Member of POUCC |
| | |

Beth & Chris Brown Daughter & Son-in-Law of Sheila Fisher

Eva Brewster
Susie Bussard
Member of POUCC
Betty & Hank Clausen
Pat Dalton
Mother of Bob Brewster
Member of POUCC
Friends of POUCC
Friend of POUCC

Vince Doherty Friend of Sharon Williamson
Adele Echenique Friend of Sheila Fisher
Alice Lynn Feldman Member of POUCC

George Franklin
Gary Haines
Brad Hansen
Shawn Hansen
Sgt.. Jack & Heidi Hearton
Friend of the Gaither Family
Cousin of Bob Gaither
Friend of POUCC
Friend of POUCC
Friend of POUCC
Friend of Poucc

Erika Henderson Friend of POUCC
Elmer Hodges Friend of POUCC

Lisa K. Hearton

Seth Wanie

Susan Jones Sister-in-Law of Bonnie Morisset

Daughter of Kay Schweitzer

Family of Bil & Susie Greiff

Rocket Kearsch Friend of Ann Tobin
Roger Kobert Friend of Sheila Fisher
Harry & Jim Manchester Family of Sheila Fisher
Tonya Montisano & Family Friends of POUCC

Leslie Nees Friend of the Stewart Family Archie & David Pickel Brothers of Bonnie Morisset Kay & Don Schweitzer Members of POUCC John Sedgwick Friend of Sheila Fisher Betty Shepherd Member of POUCC Faith & Fred Shreck Family of the Zinkie's Mary Ann Stewart Member of POUCC Judy Turcotte Friend of POUCC Grant Tobin Friend of POUCC Caroline Wallace Family of Sheila Fisher

Betty Weaver Friend of POUCC

Lowin Willoughby Friend of Sharon Williamson Alhmet Wilson Friend of Sheila Fisher

In Care Facilities

June Ferreri Member of POUCC (Care Center, PA)

Margie Hoebing Friend of POUCC (Care Center, PO)

Marge Monat Member of POUCC (Care Center, DB)

Eloise Wottke Friend of POUCC (Care Center, WI)

Beverly Woodacre Member of POUCC (Care Center, NY)

Special Needs

Victims and Families of the Texas School Shooting

Victims of the Caronavirus and Those on the Front Line Fighting the Virus

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

Four June 2022

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | |
|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------------------------------|--|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | |
| 5 Communion Sunday Combined Worship Service 9:30 am | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | |
| 12 Combined Worship Service 9:30 am | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | Council Meeting 10:00 am | |
| 19 Combined Worship Service 9:30 am | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | |
| 26 Combined Worship Service 9:30 AM | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | Sum | 000 mer | |

Thrift Store Hours: M-F 9 am - 2 pm, Sat. 9 - Noon Church Office Hours: M-F, 9 am - 1 pm,

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Monday—Friday

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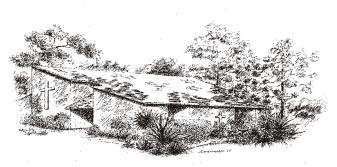
Monday—Friday

9:00 AM—Noon

Saturday

Sunday Worship

9:30 AM



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