

THE MESSENGER

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!!

*Kristin Higgins
Nicolas Suarez
Tristan DuBois
Terry Boatwright*

*Cody Walker
Tad Norman
Taylor Boyett*



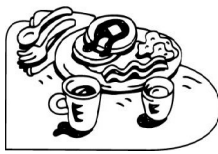
GREAT AMERICAN PIGNIG

Sunday, June 29

The worship service will be followed by a lunch of hotdogs and hamburgers provided by the UMM.

Dress is casual.

The United Methodist Women will sponsor a breakfast for everyone to honor father's on Father's Day, June 15 from 8:00-9:30 a.m. Menu will include Breakfast Casseroles, Sausage Gravy, Biscuits, Fresh Fruit Cup, Orange Juice, Milk and Coffee.



ATTENTION WOMEN: Please mark your calendars for the following dates.



June 11, 11:30 a.m. - UMW Lunch - Beef O'Bradys

June 15, 8:00-9:30 a.m. - Father's Day Breakfast

July 9, 11:30 a.m. - UMW Lunch - Beef O'Bradys

July 10-13 - Mission u - Florida Southern College, Lakeland



We are planning a celebration for the 100th Anniversary of our church for May, 2015. Do you have: (1) Any pictures of the church that show the interior before renovations and might have the rose

window in the picture? (2) Any other historical pictures of special events? (3) Any artifacts from the church, the altar chair, etc.? (4) Pictures of the choir, Sunday School classes, etc.? (5) Do you know anyone who is related to one of our founders or who would be interesting to interview? If you are able to help with any of these things, please call Lonnie Kirsch, Church Historian, at 467-0158.



With your faithful giving we are approaching the summer season with a fairly good "cushion." We have just had to replace the A/C at the parsonage for about \$6,000, so our balance is not as good as we had planned. We have also paid about 38% of our Conference Apportionments through May. Please remember your tithes and offerings during the summer vacation season.



Our scholarship recipients, Kristin Higgins, Cody Walker and Nicolas Suarez, were guests at the May meeting and each shared t h e i r O H S

accomplishments and plans for college and career. The UMM will donate \$500 to the Youth Mission Trip and will prepare the Graduating Seniors Breakfast on June 1. Due to Vacation Bible School, there will be no June meeting of the UMM. We will meet again on July 21 at 6:30 p.m.

The special Fifth Sunday Offering for the Florida United Methodist Children's Home will be June 29th. What began as the Florida Methodist Orphanage in 1908 has grown into a diverse and complex ministry to meet the various needs



of those who come for help. Your Florida United Methodist Children's Home now includes residential care, emergency shelter care, therapeutic group care, a teen mother/baby program, specialized treatment for boys, independent living, foster care and community child care center. About 120 children live on campus in 15 cottages. Each year, on average, about 65%-70% of the total funding comes from private sources. Strong church support, including Fifth Sunday Offerings in all Florida Conference United Methodist Churches, enables the Home to maintain its ministry as a Christian outreach to children. If you give a Memorial or Honor Gift to the Home, please note that you are a member of First, Okeechobee and your gift will count toward our goal. Thank you for remembering the children; they are depending on you.



This year's Vacation Bible School, WOW! Workshop of Wonders, will be held June 16-20 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. We still need a few more leaders. If you would like to help, please contact Nancy Vaughan.



From Parish Nurse
Diana Saum, RN

How Your Heart Ages: As you get older, both the heart and circulation undergo several small changes. Your heart beats slightly slower as your natural pacemaker loses some of its cells. The heart muscle itself decreases in size. Your main artery becomes thicker and stiffer. The volume of blood is slightly reduced as there is less fluid generally in your body. Tiny sensors that help keep blood pressure constant when you change position may become less sensitive. Men experience these changes about a decade earlier than women because the female hormone estrogen has a protective effect on the heart and arteries.

We are asking the church to help support the expenses for our youth's mission trip to Eureka Springs, Arkansas. The goal is \$3,000. This year we will be doing various mission activities. Help us help others in Jesus' name this summer. Thank you for your support.





JUNE

- 2nd - Jacob Coombs
3rd - Laura Gast, Kay Duke, M/M Robert Thompson, William Chaffee
- 5th - Jeannette Demeter
6th - Mary Alice Rucks, Sam Cossaboon, Elizabeth Stefanov, M/M George Passwaters
7th - M/M Randy Burnham
8th - Carla Peck, Savannah Mintz, Kelly Aaron
9th - Joe Ostavitz
11th - M/M Harry Tewksbury, Chad Rucks
12th - Vanessa Watt, M/M Dennis Anderson, Nathaniel Terrell
13th - Stephen Briney, Shane Crawford, Doug Wyatt, George Carpenter, Michelle Ostavitz
14th - M/M John Richie, Janet Rowley
15th - Marsha Boatwright, Kayla Harrison
16th - Dennis Breland, M/M John Boak, Samantha Watters
17th - Tammy Broughton, M/M Dan Simmons
18th - Chris Watford, M/M Arthur Eve, Bill Coombs
19th - Anna Jane O'Steen, Debbie Johnson, Chris Gorham, Kevin Litteral, Donnie Kula
21st - Pat Hall, Renee Hair, Dorothy Anderson, M/M Kenneth Keller
22nd - M/M Darrell Enfinger, Erin Kersey
23rd - Jean Kearney
25th - Christopher Ostavitz
26th - Tom Mix, M/M Oscar Noland, Stephanie Boak
27th - M/M Ray Fuller
28th - Christopher O'Bannon, M/M Joe Spangler
29th - Osann Lowry
30th - M/M Alvin Childs

JULY

- 1st - Christa Luna, M/M Jody Raulerson, Sarah Thompson, Jennifer Marquis
2nd - Eva Richie, Adean Miller, M/M Heath Vliet
5th - Cheryl Peters
6th - Wade Rhodes, Marie Culbreth, M/M Buck Watford
8th - M/M Tommy Raulerson
9th - Katherine Gorham, Shari Thompson, Eileen Mischke
10th - Janet Chaffee
12th - Saba Curren, Phyllis Poole, M/M Robert Lampi
13th - Nick Lenfest, Benji Lenfest, Betty Lynch, Jane Mitchell
14th - Les Snider, M/M Billy Terrell, Audrey Metcalf
16th - M/M Doc Thrift, Ben Estey, Max Norman
17th - Annette Shirley
18th - M/M Ed Mucherino
19th - Ann Burnham, Mary Snider, Phil Attewell
20th - M/M David Wibbels
21st - Patricia Mederos
22nd - Lister Goble, M/M Roland Mischke
23rd - Nicholas Hayford, Mary Lee Rivenburg
24th - M/M James Hall, Lynda Simmons, M/M Robert Steiner
25th - Conner Hall, Eli Adolphson
26th - M/M Robert Berlew
27th - M/M Francis Oleson, Gail Knight
28th - Danielle Crane, M/M Kent Emley, Jim Threewits
29th - William Hendry, C.W. Simpson
30th - Betty Barger, Mary Beth Cooper
31st - Becky Barnhart, Brittany Haas

If your birthday or anniversary is incorrect or has been omitted, please call the Church Office.