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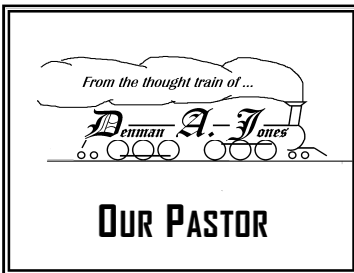
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Is God Leading You Into Something New?

We can always find things that “prove” our preconceived prejudices. For example, I came across a few news item recently that really helped re-inforce my normal inclinations.

First there were some news items about chocolate. According to recent studies, dark chocolate and cocoa powder increase “good” cholesterol (HDL) levels by as much as 10%. The result is that “bad” cholesterol (LDL) is less susceptible to oxidation—the process that leads to artery-clogging plaques. Adding to the “good news” was a finding that the cocoa butter in chocolate coats the teeth and may actually prevent plaque from forming. I ask you, what more encouragement does a chocolate lover need?

The next news item spoke about the health benefits of several cups of coffee a day. Among other things, these may lead to a 25% reduction in the risk of colon cancer; it reduces the development of kidney stones, reduces the symptoms in people with asthma; and may help to prevent Parkinson’s disease, skin cancer, and gall stones. Ah, put on the coffee pot!!!

It is probably a natural tendency for us to do this type of thing. Often it does not hurt us. But if it reinforces harmful prejudices, then it can create a problem as when it reinforces racist attitudes, or sexist attitudes, or something such as that. Also, it can be a problem if we let such practices reinforce mistaken beliefs about God or the church. For example, I have heard people say, “God won’t mind if I continue one bad habit!” “We don’t need to invite new people to church—we have staff to do that” “I don’t need to speak to guests, we have greeters to do that”.

It is always healthy to examine our actions to see if we are seeking what we want or whether we are more and more seeking what God wants. So while you are on your way to Starbucks to get a good cup of coffee and enjoy a piece of chocolate cake, consider if you are reinforcing a prejudice or whether or not you are open to explore how God may be leading you into something new.

Always remember to forget the troubles that pass your way;

BUT NEVER forget the blessings that come each day.

Home of Bright Beginnings Early School



Mission Corner

By Lourdes Pietri

Imagine a movement that mobilizes tens of thousands of people in 10 days.

It's called 10-Fold. The event launches on October 10, 2010, and lasts for 10 days. 10-Fold is about 5 multiplying ministry and mobilizing passionate people to stand up and be counted for the causes in which they believe.

It will be live. It will be full of resources and information. It will demonstrate the passion of the people of the UMC. It is called 10-Fold, and you can be a part of it.

Every day will focus on a different project supported through The Advance, the designated living arm of the UMC. The goal is to gain the support of 10,000 people for each of the 10 projects.

With the support of annual conferences and churches, 10-Fold will bring these global projects to the people through webcasts, streaming video, online chats, and other media. For 10 days, these ministries will be on your doorstep. You can provide tangible support just by registering your interest with these Advance projects.

10-Fold

During the event, \$1 will be donated for every person who signs up as an advocate for a 10-Fold project, up to \$10,000 per project. The donation will be made—on your behalf. Just show up and be counted!

And some of you are already becoming a part of the movement. Pass this link on to your friends and family. Visit our video here or on [YouTube](#). Connect with us on [Facebook](#) and follow us on [Twitter](#). Download the [Participant's Guide](#). Visit us often and make sure you mark your calendars for October 10th. We will have something new to report each day—several times a day.

Be counted. Be a part of the movement. It's in your hands to multiply God's work; turn 10 to 10,000 and make it a movement 10-Fold.

10 Projects. 10 Days - 10-Fold Unfolded.

Join us and you will see and hear about the amazing efforts that are changing people's lives. To find out more, visit <http://www.10-fold.org/>. So mark your calendars and spread the work.

October is **National Domestic Violence Awareness Month**. Throughout the month, we will be collecting items for The Abuse Counseling and Treatment, or ACT. The shelter is always in need of the following items: soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, sanitary pads, diapers of all sizes, deodorant, sheets for twin beds, and all sizes of women's or children's underwear and socks. Please look for marked bins in the Narthex. Thank you.

Operation Christmas Child

Christmas for many of us brings images of lightly falling snow, the nativity on the alter, the light of candles shining through church windows. And, at home, families gathered around a decorated tree with brightly colored packages and children on the brink of bursting with excitement. But for many, this scene is only a fairy tale; something that they may not even be aware. The Christ Child was born on Christmas Day, and Christmas is about children.

Operation Christmas Child brings joy and hope to children in desperate situations around the world through gift-filled shoeboxes and the Good News of God's love. This program of Samaritan's Purse provides an opportunity for people of all ages to be involved in a simple, hands-on missions project, while focusing on the true meaning of Christmas—Jesus Christ.

Last year, we at Cypress Lake UMC filled and delivered 372 boxes, and I am sure we can increase that amount this year. We will kick-off this mission on Sunday, October 10. Wrapped and unwrapped (that you may wrap yourself) shoeboxes will be available at all sanctuary doors each Sunday. Please make sure that you pick up one or more of them following services.

Collection week will be November 14 through the 21st, with the boxes dedicated and sent to the distribution center on November 21. Filled boxes may be brought to the church anytime prior to that and placed in the large Christmas wrapped boxes at each sanctuary entrance or Fellowship Hall.

Please contact Susie or Darrell Ulbrich with any questions at 239-481-8025.



Bright Beginnings

Linda McGlashan, Director

Bright Beginnings Auction Scores an All Time High!

This year's Bright Beginnings Auction, Dinner, and Open House was held on Friday, August 25. A Silent Auction was accompanied by a first-time live auction. The event raised \$26,000 for the school—a new record!

A BIG thanks to Jennifer Baldini Hayes and Holly Boldrin for their incredible leadership of this event! Auction items included sporting event tickets, spa packages, gift baskets for kids, jewelry, and more. The new live auction added some heated bidding wars and was great fun! The items for the live auction included a week in a four-bedroom house in Cashiers, NC, a full pool remodel, a 4-ton AC unit installed in your home, and an iPad.

The funds will be used to send teachers to training, to obtain curriculum materials for classrooms, and, as always, help provide scholarship funds for families who need it.

Thank you to our church members who came to join in the fun. Don't miss this event next year!

Chuckle

Sunday, after church, a Mom asked her very young daughter what the lesson was about.

The daughter answered, "Don't be scared, you'll get your quilt".

Needless to say, the Mom was perplexed.

Later in the day, the pastor stopped by for tea, and the Mom asked him what that morning's Sunday school lesson was about.

He said, "Be not afraid, they comforter is coming . . ."
"!"



A Sunday School teacher began her lesson with a question, "Boys and girls, what do we know about God?"

A hand shot up in the air. "He is an artist!" said the kindergarten boy.

"Really? How do you know?" the teacher asked.

"You know - Our Father who does art in Heaven . . ."

LIBRARY NEWS

Joyce Hughes, Librarian



Lost, Missing, or Overdue?

You have heard it said, "Librarians spend half the time trying to get people to take books out, and the other half trying to get them to bring them back". It is bringing back time.

Before I list the books that were signed out last year, or the year before, or who knows when, I happened to think that the heading of this column could apply to people also. If you are not a Christian, you are lost. If you are not participating in church, or church activities, or living the Christian life, you are missing. If you sometimes go to church, sometimes help out, but haven't recently, you are overdue.

The following books were signed out a long time ago. Please look for them and bring them back. No names are listed; you will know if you have the book. The number is the book number. It distinguishes copies. It is NOT the call number that locates books on the shelf.

Good women get angry	#2383
Car of the soul	#120
7 habits of effective people	#2104
Power of positive thinking	#1311
Power of positive thinking	#962
Road less traveled	#1048
Simple abundance	#1879
Friendship book	#2275
Plato	#2206
Will of God	#1774
Book of Bible lists	#1076
Message: The prophets	#1876
Message: New Testament	#1877
Christianity for beginners	#2587
Jesus: A revolutionary biography	#1839
Good grief	#1213
More to life than having it all	#2248
Streams in the desert	#1540
Prayers of Peter Marshall	#1154
Abundant living	#446
Growing strong in the seasons of life	#824

INTRODUCING

Jess Bunger ~ Children & Family Minister

Jess Bunger is a Wisconsin native and proud Cheesehead; however, she and her family just moved down to Fort Myers after four years of serving two congregations in Connecticut. Jess is a wife and mother - Sean and Seth fill her life with love and laughter along with their small dog, Rocky. She and her family enjoy watching college sports together, especially the Wisconsin Badgers and the Tennessee Volunteers.

If you have questions about the Children and Family Ministries, please don't hesitate to call the church office or e-mail Jess at family@cypresslakeumc.com. Also, you are more than welcome to stop in to see Jess during her office hours Monday—Thursday. Your prayers for this growing and transformative ministry are important. Thank you for continuing to lift up the Children and Family Ministry in your daily prayers.

Light the Night with Jesus!

On FRIDAY, October 22nd, Cypress Lake UMC will host Family Fun "Light the Night with Jesus" from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. There will be face painting, bounce houses, games, prizes, story time, and a POT LUCK dinner!

Please contact Jennifer Lucas at jenlucas62301@comcast.net

Or

Phone 340-8601 if you would like to RSVP. Thank you in advance for letting us know if you plan to make "celebrate fall" with us as it helps with the planning process!



Saturday – October 2nd
"PUMPKIN PATCH" 2010
TRUCK UNLOADING @ 9:30 AM

CYPRESS LAKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH – FORT MYERS, FLORIDA



Naw . . . Can it be our 9th season?

Mark your calendars: Oct. 2 AND Oct. 16

9:00 a.m. - Youth Center

PUMPKIN DELIVERY

Bring gloves - set-up is the week prior . . . Stayed tuned.

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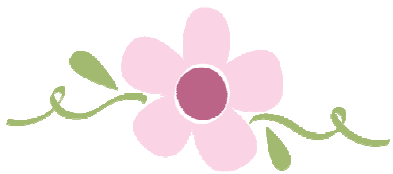
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SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

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Pizza with the Pastor is Sunday, October 3, at 12:15 in the Fellowship Hall. This is a one hour opportunity for friends and guests of Cypress Lake United Methodist Church to ask questions; hear about opportunities to become more involved; and learn about the membership process. There is no obligation to join the church after attending. Children are welcome and will be entertained by our Children's Ministry staff once they are through eating.

Register to attend by signing up at the Welcome Table in the main entry of the sanctuary building.



2010 Women's Retreat ~ Blooming Christians

October 16 ~ 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

The Landings Yacht, Golf and Tennis Club

Rev. Barbara Boyd Mayo ~ Retreat Leader

Registration is limited to 100 women

\$40 includes continental breakfast, lunch, crafts and surprises! Pick and return registration forms in the church office or at the Welcome Table.

Invite a Friend



A weekly seminar/support group for people grieving the death of someone close meets each Monday in the Chapel Parlor at 1:00 p.m. Through video lessons,

guided discussions, sharing, and home work, GriefShare participants will learn how to journey from mourning to joy.

Everyone is invited to **Movies with Meaning . . .** (and Popcorn) on Thursday, October 21, at either 1:00 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This month's movie, *The Ultimate Gift*, sends trust fund baby, Jason Stevens, on an improbable journey of discovery, having to answer the ultimate question: "What is the relationship between wealth and happiness?" This family friendly film stars James Garner, Lee Merriweather, and Abigail Breslin.

September has been a great month for adult Christian Education. One of our newest ministries, *Financial Peace University*, has been well received by all the participants. I look forward to hearing their testimonies in January!

Body and Soul Christian Yoga class was filled to capacity after the first class, and we are looking to expand to other times.

Our standard studies for men and women on Tuesday, Bible Study for Mom's, Disciple Bible Study, and the Wednesday studies have new members. If you are not currently in a study, please give me a call and I will help you find one that suits your needs and time availability.

A new Sunday School class for parents will begin meeting October 3, at 10:45 in the Fellowship Hall Classroom to study *Have a New Kid by Friday* by Dr. Kevin Leman. Through a teaching video, guided workbook discussions, and practical techniques to use at home, parents will learn effective techniques to modify their children's behavior.

All women are invited to attend the 2nd Annual Women's Retreat, October 16, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m., at the Landings Yacht, Golf, and Tennis Club. This year's theme, *Blooming Christians*, is based on Ephesians 3:17-18: I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ. Former CLUMC Associate Pastor, Barbara Boyd Mayo, will lead us through a day of study, craft, devotion, and laughter mixed with great worship, food, and fellowship. Pick up a reservation form TODAY in the church office or on the Welcome Table in the main entry of the Sanctuary. The deadline to register is *October 11*.

Looking ahead - An Advent study will begin with an introduction on Monday, November 15th, 9:30—10:30 a.m. in Room S-8. the 2nd Annual *Women's advent dinner* will be Tuesday, December 7, at 6:00 p.m. Men's and Women's Tuesday Bible Study will resume in the new year, on January 11, 9:00 a.m. (women only) and 6:45 p.m. The women will study the newly updated *David: A heart like His* by Beth Moore.

See you in the Pumpkin Patch!

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Do you enjoy knitting? Would you like to learn?

Come join the Prayer Shawl Ministry Team and make shawls to comfort and bless those in need. Crocheters are welcome also. The Team meets monthly under the direction of Marilyn Kleinknight. The next meeting is Thursday, October 14, at 10:00 a.m. in Rm S-7. Contact Marilyn (489-1704) to pre-register and to obtain the supply list.

Cypress Lake United Methodist Women

Carolyn Simpson, Communications

ALL WOMEN OF THE CHURCH ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

Unit Meetings for October

Team Meeting for UMW Officers:

October 5th—9:30 a.m.—UMW Room

All women of the church are invited to attend the following UMW Circle Meetings:

Annual Meeting: October 9th—Sebring First UMC in Sebring, Fl. Meeting will start at 9:00 a.m.—2:30 p.m. There is an \$8 charge which will include Lunch.

Dorcas Circle: October 11—Chapel Parlor at 7:00 p.m. Contact Sara Nell at 936-1349

Esther Circle: October 12—Chapel Parlor at 9:30 a.m. Contact Carolyn Simpson at 246-3829.

Anna/Rebekah Circle: October 12—Chapel Parlor at 1:00 p.m. Contact Marge Wilson at 482-4156.

UMW Unit Meeting: October 19th—Chapel Parlor and Meeting Room. Contact Dolores Friel at 466-7314.

The United Methodist Women would like to thank everyone who contributed to Blanket Sunday. We received a total of \$3,391 which provides food, water, blankets, and other necessities to families displaced by war or natural disasters. This money also will assist impoverished communities as they work to improve their farming techniques, develop reliable water sources, and a more sustainable future.

The UMW received a letter from Rev. John L. McCollough, Executive Director and CEO of Church World Service, and Amy Killgallon, CWS Director, Florida, thanking us for the generous donation. Also, we received a Church World Service Banner that will be displayed for you to view.

Again, we would like to thank everyone who made this outstanding mission activity possible.

Evelyn O'Dell, Recording Sec'y, UMW

ADULT FELLOWSHIP

**DINNER MEETING
FRIDAY
OCTOBER 15, 2010**

Social Hour: 5:30 p.m.

Dinner: 6:00 p.m.

Program: 7:00 p.m.

PROGRAM

Presentation by the Lee County Sheriff's Dept.

K-9 Unit

We're sure you've read of the bravery of a K-9 named Rosco recently slain in the line of duty protecting his handler. Rosco was a true hero and will be sorely missed by the department and his fellow K-9's. We'll be privileged to host an officer and his K-9 companion who will give us a demonstration of the search and rescue talents of these heroic animals.

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Join us for Christian Fellowship, and a great meal

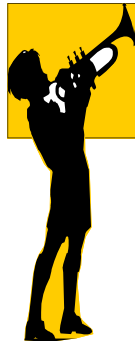
ADULTS OF ALL AGES ARE WELCOME

Here's How You Can Participate:

- ❖ Arrive with meat, vegetable, salad or dessert dish to share, and your place setting
- ❖ Enjoy a "social hour" of fellowship with your CLUMC friends
- ❖ After the meal, and a brief business meeting, enjoy a program prepared especially for you.

That's All There Is To It!

Congregational Notes



Welcome to new Members

The **EVANGELISM MINISTRY TEAM** is seeking Greeters for the 8:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., and 11:00 a.m. Services. Male and female volunteers are needed.

This is a wonderful opportunity to make our guests and members feel welcome as they move forward in their journeys toward Jesus Christ.

We want to *thank* the volunteers who have been so faithful greeting. Please join them.

For more information, please contact Tina Aquart at 433-3237. **THANK YOU SO MUCH!**

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Robert & Martha Boyle
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Fort Myers, 33912 - 481-5278

Nancy Ann Kinney
8663 Patty Berg Ct.
Fort Myers, 33919 - 466-6564

Be sure and greet our new members when you see them, and make them feel welcome.

CLUMC Has Gone Social

Holly Boldrin, Communications Chmn

Become a fan of Cypress Lake United Methodist Church on our Facebook for the latest news from the church—including upcoming events and member news. The CLUMC Facebook page includes a discussion group where members and guests can share prayer concerns. You can share your personal testimony, church experiences, mission news, favorite Bible verses and more.

Also on *Facebook*, look for CLUMC Small Groups to learn about upcoming Bible studies and other small group programs. Get connected with your CLUMC family on *Facebook*. “Become a fan” and “like” us today! For more information, email:

communications@cypresslakeumc.com
or smallgroups@cypresslakeumc.com.

CLUMC Operating Account As of August, 2010

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Budget:	\$574,678.89
Income:	\$485,127.00
Expenses:	\$481,367.77

Congregational Notes, continued

CIRCLE OF CONCERNS—September

To add a name to our Prayer List,
Please call Pastor Patty at 482-1250

HELP WANTED

The Soup Kitchen (Community Cooperative Ministries, Inc.) is feeding more people in Fort Myers due to our economic downturn; therefore, we need more volunteers to man our two days a month there.

We work two shifts, 7–9:15 and 9:15–12:15, the 3rd Wednesday and 4th Thursday of each month. The first shift packs up the “Meals on Wheels” food for the drivers that deliver it; and the second shift readies the food to serve the homeless and poor who come to the kitchen to eat.

If you want to help, either sign your name and phone number on the sign-up sheet in the Friendship Room or call Billie Simon at 481-6256.

The church needs eight people to deliver the altar flowers to shut-ins and members who are hospitalized and in nursing homes. With that many volunteers, it would entail working only an hour or two once every two months.

If you would like “a feel good job”, please call Billie Simon at 481-6256 for more information.

RONALD McDONALD HOUSE

Please save your small (soda) and large (soup, etc.) metal tabs and put them under the table in the Narthex next to the box of used soup labels.

Your tabs are important. Thanks to each of you for your *aluminum tabs*. We have been advised, however, that some companies are now making tabs out of **tin** which are not acceptable. *If you put a magnet on an aluminum tab it will not stick; however, tabs made of tin will stick to the magnet. This is the way you may determine which tabs are acceptable.*

This is an important mission effort, so please do your part in helping fund the Ronald McDonald House.

Nancy Allen
Sali Bickett
Zach Birch
Michelle Freiburge
Ray Geib, Sr.
Kathy Hasselback
Pfc J. Michael Henneberry
1st Lt. Dean W. Johnson
Ken Johnson
Lt. Michael Knight
Private Matthew Kowalski
Kim Livingston
Teagan Marti
Anne McMakin
Shannon Murphy
L.Corp. Connell Parsons
Kate Putt
Al Searight

Lois Scimenes
Ted Shelby
Kim Simpson
L.Corp. Jason O. Spear
Marie Stroh
Steve Taylor
Jim Troyer
Dale Wagoner

Please phone “Prayer Chain” request to
Lois Green—466-8179

Do you have a phone? Do you pray? . . .
Those are the only requirements to be a member of the prayer chain.



Cypress Lake UMC, October, 2010

SUNDAY

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WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

<p>1</p>					<p>1 9:00a—Flu Shots, CMR, CP, Chapel 1:00p—Tai Chi, CMR</p>	<p>2 8:30a—Communion, S-7 9:00a—Prayer, Chapel 9:00p—Pumpkin Delivery, YC</p>
<p>3 Kids Own Worship— 9 a.m.—Chapel Traditional Ser. 8:00a—Sanc 11:00a—Sanc Praise Service 9:30a—Sanc Bible Study 9:30a—CP Sunday School 9:00a—FH 10:45a—FH 12:15p—Membership, FH 5:00p—Youth</p>	<p>4 10:00a—Weight Watchers, FH 1:00p—GriefShare, CP 6:00p—Boy Scouts, FH 6:30p—JobSearch, CP 7:00p—Trustees, S-8</p>	<p>5 9:00a—Yoga Class, YC 9:00a—UMW, CUMW 9:00a—Women’s Bible Study, F-7 9:15a—Disciple 1, S-8 10:00a—BB Chapel 1:00p—Early Stage, S-7, S-8 6:00p—Stephen Ministry, S-7, S-8 6:45p—Men’s Bible Study, YC 6:45p—Financial Peace, CP 6:45—Women’s Bible Study, CMR, FH, F-7</p>	<p>6 9:00a—Moms Bible Study, F-7 9:00a—Rug Hookers, FH 9:15a—Bible Study 10:00a—Pastor’s Bible Study, CP 10:00a—BB Chapel 10:45a—Moms in Touch, F-7 5:00p—Pastor’s Bible Study, CP 5:45p—Wonderful Wednesday 6:00p—Praise Team, Sanc 6:30p—Bible Study, CP 6:30p—Disciple 1, CMR 6:30p—DivorceCare, S-7</p>	<p>7 10:00p—Line Dancing, CMR 10:00a—Prayer Shawl, S-7 6:00p—Handbells 6:30p—Zumba, YC 7:00p—S-Choir, Choir</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9 8:30a—Stephen Ministry, S-8, S-7 9:00a—Prayer, Ch</p>
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<p>24 8:30a—Mission Brunch, FH, kitchen Kids Own Worship— 9 a.m.—Chapel Traditional Ser. 8:00a—Sanc 11:00a—Sanc Praise Service 9:30a—Sanc Bible Study 9:30a—CP Sunday School 9:00a—FH 10:45a—FH 5:00p—Youth</p>	<p>25 10:00a—Weight Watchers, FH 1:00p—Grief Share, CP 6:00p—Boy Scouts, FH 7:00p—Church Council, Chapel</p>	<p>26 9:00a—Yoga Class, YC 9:00a—Women’s Bible Study, F-7 9:15a—Disciple 1, S-8 10:00a—BB Chapel 6:00p—Stephen Ministry, S-7, S-8 6:45p—Men’s Bible Study, YC 6:45p—Financial Peace, CP 6:45—Women’s Bible Study, CMR, FH, F-7</p>	<p>27 9:00a—Mom’s Bible Study, F-7 9:00a—PUMPKINS DELIVERED, YC 9:00a—Rug Hookers, FH 9:15a—Bible Study, S-8 10:00a—BB Chapel, CH 10:00a—Pastor’s Bible Study, CP 10:45a—Moms in Touch, F-7 5:00p—Pastor’s Bible Study, CP 5:45p—Wond. Weds 6:00p—Praise Team, Sanc. 6:30p—Bible Study, CP 6:30p—DivorceCare, S-7 6:30p—Disciple 1, CMR</p>	<p>28 10:00a—Prayer Shawl, S-7 10:00a—Line Dancing, CMR 6:00p—Handbells, Loft 6:30p—Zumba, YC 7:00p—Choir</p>	<p>29 1:00p—Tai Chi, CMR</p>	<p>30 9:00a—Prayer, CH</p>
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Taking Our Blessings for Granted

The story of the healing of the ten lepers is a familiar one (Luke 17:11-21). They called to Jesus from a distance because they were forbidden to approach anyone. He called back to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” This, too, was a matter of law. No leper could return to the community until he or she had been examined by a priest and pronounced free of the disease. Luke tells us, “as they went they were cleansed.”

You can imagine the pandemonium among them. Finding themselves healed they ran toward the priest for examination. All but one, that is. One turned and ran toward Jesus “praising God with a loud voice”.

“Were not ten cleansed?” Jesus said. “Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?”

The message is obvious, but I want to lift up one word for thought: foreigner. Nine were Jews, one was not.

It’s surprising how often in the Gospels the truth is grasped by “foreigners”, people who weren’t too familiar with the religion around them. That has its parallel in the present, for it’s often the foreigner who has to tell us what a great country this is. It’s the outsider who sees how blessed we are to have work to do, a family to love, a church to serve, a God to thank.

When such things are so near, we often forget what a high privilege we have, how much we are blessed, how fortunate we are. “Foreigners” ought not to have to tell us these things; we should be telling them.

I suggest we take what is now considered commonplace—nation, home, work place, church—and make note of the wonderful gifts that are given to us through them. Then “praising God with a loud voice”, give thanks.

“Why Do Mullet Jump?

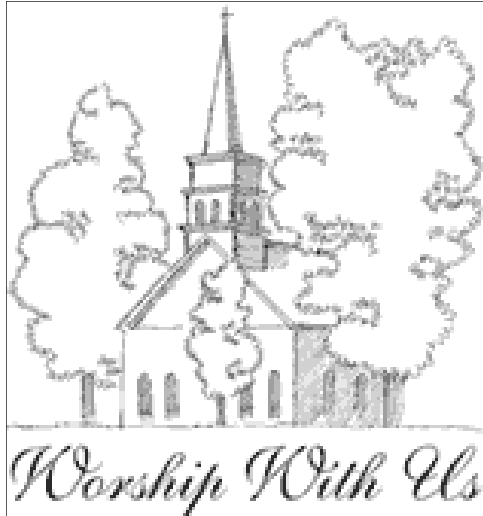
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You Are Invited

Traditional Worship Services

8:00 AM—Sanctuary

11:00 AM—Sanctuary

Praise and Worship Service

9:30 A.M.—Sanctuary

Sunday School

9:00 AM—Fellowship Hall

10:45 AM—Fellowship Hall

Wonderful Wednesdays

5:30 P.M.—Dinner

Activities before and after

MINISTRY LEADERSHIP

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Pastor

Rev. Patricia Davis

Minister of Congregational Care

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