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From Your Moderator

Here we are in the heart of summer and the time most go on vacation. I have been and will be taking some time away, both in-and-out of Florida. Brian and Jude will also be taking some time away to get 'refreshed'. While they are away we will be welcoming our own Blu Glavin to the pulpit and the return of Donna Papenhausen.

As for me, I traveled to Orlando and did the Orlando Starflyer (a 450 foot-high swing ride at 60 mph) and the Orlando

Eye (large slow-moving Ferris-wheel). I enjoy rides, and I would recommend the Orlando Eye, but not the Starflyer. The first part of August I will return to the northeast and will spend a weekend in NYC. If your summer plans take you near-or-far, I hope your adventure is one that you will enjoy!

Wishing you a very happy August!

Fondly,
Richard

SAM - Update

This is a report on the Mission contributions we have made in the first half of this year. It reflects our church's commitment to others in the community and the world. For a small church I think our mission giving numbers for these individual collections are mighty!

Christmas Fund
(Dec 2018, sent out in Jan 2019)
\$797.00

Church World Service Blanket Fund
\$1,101.00

One Great Hour of Sharing
\$862.00

Strengthen The Church
\$354.00

Neighbors in Need (just begun when this report was compiled at the end of June)
\$5.00

Our Churches Wider Mission (ongoing)
\$799.98

We still have two collections left, plus our ongoing OCWM (UCC support). And this doesn't include our grant gifts to local agencies which were featured in a previous Follower. (If anyone wants those numbers, please email me at bgb310@aol.com and I will send them.)

Our success as a church is reflected in how generous we are with those in need. Let's keep up the good and generous work, and we will continue to prosper! And remember, through our grant process, we are sponsors of the Kiwanis Against Hunger event on August 10—lets show up in force to assemble 15,000 meals for local families!

Feel free to email me to let me know if you are able to help out!

Barbara Brownell

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PER CAPITA

We are committed to 100% paid membership. The cost per member is \$15. Thank you for your prompt attention to this conference responsibility.

FUN IN THE SUN! – ANNUAL POOL PARTY ²



Kiwaniis Against Hunger

A program of Manatee Sunrise Kiwanis Foundation, Inc., a 501(c)3 non-profit
www.kiwanisagainsthunger.com

Food Packaging Event

Saturday, August 10, 2019

At the Palmetto Fairgrounds Ag Center,

1303 17th St. W, Palmetto, FL 34221

8am - 10am

Please RSVP to: mark@kiwanisagainsthunger.com

For more information on this program or to donate,
visit our website, www.kiwanisagainsthunger.com

Sponsored by the Manatee Sunrise Kiwanis Foundation, Inc.

www.manateesunrisekiwanis.com

This August

THE BREAKFAST BUNCH

SAT, AUG 3, AT 9AM

We will gather for breakfast together at D's located at 423 10th Ave W, Palmetto. Please join us.

DINNER AND DESSERT

We are looking for a host for our August Dinner and Dessert. To be a host, call or email the church office and we will help you get started.

BIRTHDAY HOSPITALITY

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25 - After the service.

DOWNTOWN MINISTRIES

Every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm. The next dates to help out will be August 6 and 20. The warehouse is on the corner of 8th Street and 17th Avenue in Palmetto. (Turn west on 17th and go behind the building to access the unit S6). Hope to see you there.

FOOD BANK

We are collecting Canned Fruit and Vegetables for the Food bank of Manatee County this month. Please drop off donations in the yellow bucket in the Narthex.

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

New Members

We are honored to have several folks who express a desire to join Faith UCC. We will be have a Membership Sunday in September where we will welcome them.

Sprits and Spirituality

The evening program will resume on Monday, September 23rd at 6:30 pm and will run every other week. If we have enough interest in the lunch time group, that will resume on Wednesday, September 25th and run every other week.

Fall Book Study

The book has yet to be chosen, but to make sure everyone has a chance to get back to Florida, the evening book study will resume in October.

ONECO FLORIST 941.756.1556

When ordering flowers through the church, please sign up on the Flower Chart. Flowers orders are \$25. Oneco Florist is offering Church members \$5 off their first arrangement. Just mention this article.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

If you are interested in signing up to be a greeter, usher or scripture reader, please contact our Worship Team Leader or simply sign up on the bulletin board.

JOIN US

WEEKEND SCHEDULE

August 4, 2019

Scripture: Council Sunday
Connar Felix

August 11, 2019

Flowers: Available
Greeters: Available
Scripture: Joanne Dahlgren
Ushers: Available

August 18, 2019

Flowers: Available
Greeters: Available
Scripture: Evie Garcia
Ushers: Available

August 31, 2019

Flowers: Available
Greeters: Available
Scripture: Available
Ushers: Available

FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

MAY 2019

Total income	\$ 12,529.34
Total expenses	\$ 18,548.24
Net Ordinary Income/ Loss	- \$ 6,018.90

Church Council Minutes: Faith United Church of Christ

Present: Brian Bagley-Bonner, Barbara Brownell, Richard Dilts, Connor Felix, PJ Widerman

Present via telephone/video conference: Donna Blakey, Dorathy Gallo, Linda Van Buskirk

Absent: Jude Bagley-Bonner, Jenny Crocker, Jennifer Hargis, Marge Hooie, Lynne Keane, Marge Kirchner, Sheryl Overheidt-Smith

Meeting opened at 6:31pm by Moderator Richard Dilts.

Pastor Brian Bagley-Bonner offered an opening prayer.

A motion to approve the June Council Meeting minutes was made by PJ Widerman and seconded by Donna Blakey. Motion passed.

Moderator's report: Nothing to report.

Financial Secretary and Treasurer's Reports:

PJ Widerman made a motion to approve the Financial Secretary and Treasurer's reports as submitted and was seconded by Connor Felix. Motion passed.

Church Secretary Report:

The calendars were reviewed and it was noted that the Kids Against Hunger Kiwanis event is August 10th from 8-10am and needs to be added to the calendar.

Pastor's Report:

Pastor Brian reported that several people are interested in joining and there will be a date created for membership class and for joining the church soon.

Pastor Brian stated Spirits and Spirituality and Bible Study are going well, however there is not much participation for the Wednesday group of Spirits and Spirituality so that group may be discontinued. Pastor Brian reported that details surrounding the Bagley-Bonnors' upcoming vacation will be finalized soon and coverage will be arranged for that time period.

Old Business: No old business for this meeting.

New Business:

No new business for this meeting.

Department & Committee Reports:

Events & Hospitality:

Moderator Richard Dilts stated that a host for August and September Dinner and Dessert is needed.

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Community outreach: Nothing to report.

Worship:

Moderator Richard Dilts asked about communion for Council Sunday in August and September. Communion in August and September will be infinction and Babs Brownell will hold for communion in August and Connor Felix will read scripture. Richard Dilts will hold for September and Babs Brownell will read scripture.

Moderator Richard Dilts also stated that the closets behind the altar need reorganizing.

SAM:

Babs Brownell stated that Faith UCC is one of the sponsors for the upcoming Kids Against Hunger event on August 10th from 8-10am. She also stated that there will be a "Mission Moment" on October 6th for the special collection of "Neighbors in Need" and that the collections for that will span 2 weeks.

Christian Education: Nothing to report.

Buildings and Grounds:

PJ Widerman reported that a property review needs to be conducted in the near future. Work is needed in the memorial garden and signage is needed as well. The trees need to be evaluated, trimmed and pruned properly so she will get an estimate and evaluation report from an arborist. There are other areas of the church that need attention such as the landscaping, dumpster area and sidewalks. The exterior of the building is nearing a need to be repainted as well. The storage and supply areas need to be cleaned out and reorganized also.

Faith Care: Nothing to report.

Reminder: There is no August Council meeting.

The closing prayer for the September meeting will be conducted by Donna Blakey and the October meeting will be conducted by Dorathy Gallo.

Closing prayer offered by Linda Van Buskirk.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

Next meeting will be September 9th, 2019.

AUGUST 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 6:30pm NarAnon 7:15pm NA	2 7:15pm NA 7:30m BAC	3 9am Breakfast Bunch- at D's 10am NA
4 9am Bible Study 10am Summer Choir 10:30am Service with Communion 1:30pm BAC	5 6:30pm Spirits & Spirituality LWR Beef O'Brady	6 6:30pm Downtown Ministries	7 7pm BAC	8 6:30pm NarAnon 7:15pm NA	9 7:15pm NA 7:30m BAC	10 Kiwanis Food Packing Event 8am-10am 10am NA
11 10am Summer Choir 10:30am Service 1:30pm BAC	12 Harbor Walk HOA (every 2 nd Monday) First day of School Manatee County	13 Cottages of San Casciano HOA mtg.	14 7pm BAC	15 6:30pm NarAnon 7:15pm NA <i>Pastors on Vacation 15-28</i>	16 Follower Reminder 7:15pm NA 7:30m BAC	17 10am NA
18 10am Summer Choir 10:30am Service Guest Preacher Blu Glavin 1:30pm BAC	19 Follower Deadline 7pm BR HOA	20 6:30pm Downtown Ministries	21 7pm BAC	22 6:30pm NarAnon 7:15pm NA	23 7:15pm NA 7:30m BAC	24 10am NA
25 10am Summer Choir 10:30am Service Guest Preacher Donna Papenhausen Birthday Hospitality 1:30pm BAC	26 7pm Inlets HOA	27 11:30am Prayer Mtg. Preschool Parent Night	28 7pm BAC	29 6:30pm NarAnon 7:15pm NA	30 7:15pm NA 7:30m BAC	31 10am NA

Happy Birthday

- 8/11 Bruce Blakey
- 8/12 Liv Coleman
- 8/14 Shirley Rampart
- 8/21 Michael Frederick
- 8/23 Don Coveleskie
- 8/25 Pat Crowell

Your Staff

Pastors

Rev. Brian & Rev. Judy Bagley-Bonner
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PASTORS' OFFICE HOURS

Monday- Thursday mornings
Please contact us to make an appointment. We are not in the office on Fridays.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY- WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY

9 AM - 12 PM

TUESDAY-THURSDAY

1PM-4PM

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Bruce Covey – Media Specialist

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Jenny Crocker- Hatti Damianos &

Earleen Nutting - Sunday school
Teachers

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Prayer Team

If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, call one of the following:

**If you have need for prayer,
please call a team member:**

Janis Groth 779-6988

Marge Hooie 896-6563

Sheryl Overheid-Smith 269-673-9521

Joan Sheehan 748-2498

Gayle Covey: 741-8566



Below is some Q&A with some of our newest members

Name Peter Cahoon

How long have you lived in the Bradenton area?

2 Years

Where did you live prior to moving to Bradenton? Tampa for 30 years

Are you retired? If yes, what was your occupation prior to retirement? If no, what is your current occupation?

Yes, Accounting, General Contractor, Hold a CFP License

Why did you pick Faith UCC as your church?

Grew up in the Congregational Church. Like the Openness.

What are your Hobbies, Special Interests, Other..?

Reading and Gardening

Name Sharon Cahoon

How long have you lived in the Bradenton area?

2 Years

Where did you live prior to moving to Bradenton? Tampa

Are you retired? If yes, what was your occupation prior to retirement? If no, what is your current occupation?

Yes, Administrative Assistant, Various Construction Companies

Why did you pick Faith UCC as your church?

Open and affirming of all people

What are your Hobbies, Special Interests, Other..?

Reading, taking classes and watching sports

2019 Church Council

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