

Weekly Word

New Covenant United Methodist Church



MESSAGE IN A MINUTE



Spiritual Reflection

"There is no key to happiness; the door is always open."

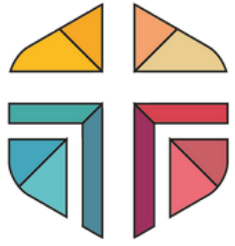
MOTHER TERESA

Register to save your seat for this weekend's services!

Saturday @ 5PM

Sunday @ 9AM

Sunday @ 11AM



Ministry Spotlight

Click the title to give in support of the ministry highlighted below.

HELPING HANDS **MINISTRY**

Helping Hands Outreach Ministry shares God's love and provides long-term, systemic change, in the communities near The Villages, with improved housing, household furnishings, and support for families. We have completed homes for more than 30 families through the efforts of more than 300 volunteers who are following God's call to serve



families in need. God has truly blessed our ministry and our Community.

If you would like to get involved, or find out more, please click the title.



Announcements

Below are the top announcements for the week!



IN-PERSON WORSHIP

We are incredibly thankful to continue to be able to have in-person worship. A few reminders:

- Please continue to register. With an increase in walk-ins, we want to make sure there are seats for everyone.
- Thank you for continuing to wear your mask. Your safety is important to us.

Please click the title to see what in-person worship looks like!

SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS

Sunday, November 8 at 4:00 p.m.

Are you wondering how you will survive the weeks surrounding Thanksgiving and Christmas? Our Surviving the Holidays seminar is designed especially for people who are grieving due to the death of a loved one. To register call the Care Office at (352) 750-4529.



CHRISTMAS GIVING

The Holiday season is upon us! To see how you can give, click the title or continue scrolling to the Missions section!



STEWARDSHIP

In Paul's first letter to Timothy, who was in Ephesus, he said, "Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share." (1 Timothy 6:18, NIV). God has provided for us generously, why not give generously back to His church so we can continue to good deeds and share the Word?

"...Many Christians have discovered the joy of casting their crumbs of bread upon the waters and multiple loaves returning after many days." (Ecclesiastes 11:1b) By giving we are expressing our faith and trust in God to continue to provide for us and our families.

-Charles Stuart, Chair, Finance Committee





Missions

Please click the title for all mission opportunities.



CHRISTMAS WISH TREE

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, you will not be able to select a tag from the Christmas Tree this year. However, you will be able to meet the needs of children in our community by purchasing a gift card. The needs are the same. People have lost jobs during this time, and your gift card or monetary donation will help fill a need that otherwise would not be met.

Please stop by the table in the East Narthex to pick up an envelope for your gift card or monetary donation.

FALL FOOD DRIVE

The Wildwood Food Pantry Fall Food Drive will take place on **Saturday, November 14 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Sunday, November 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.** Due to COVID-19 restrictions, it will be a “Drive and Drop.” The pantry trailer will be positioned at the entrance of the west parking lot, and volunteers will be there to receive your donations. Thank you in advance for helping us provide food supplements to food-insecure families in Sumter County. Click the title for a list of needed food items.





B&B TRUCK

The Bargains & Blessings truck will be stationed in the West Parking Lot on **Saturday, November 7 and Sunday, November 8** to accept your donations before and after worship services.

Click the title for donation guidelines.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

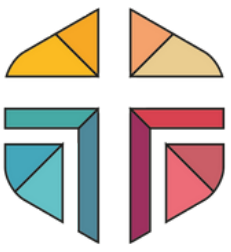
We've almost reached our goal! There is still time to pick up a Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoebox at Worship Services this weekend. You also have the option of building a shoebox online (click the title), or you can send a check to NCUMC with "Operation Christmas Child" on the memo line.

Deadline for shoebox return is November 15.



HOLY LAND TRIP

Pastor Harold will be leading a trip to the Holy Land next year, April 20 - 29, 2021. If you are interested in taking the trip and walking where Jesus walked, there will be an informational meeting on **Tuesday, November 17 at 10:00 a.m.** in the Chapel. If you cannot attend in person, you may still attend the meeting virtually. Please click the title to contact Cindy for more information on how to join the livestream.



Discipleship

Please click the title to access all Discipleship opportunities.

SACRED TRILOGY

Please enjoy our Sacred Trilogy. Every Wednesday we have Sacred Prayers, Sacred Songs, and Sacred Stories.



RELISHING RUTH

Relishing Ruth

FOUR-WEEK BIBLE STUDY ON THE BOOK OF RUTH WITH PASTOR ELLEN

Join me for "Relishing Ruth," as we look into this short book with lasting lessons and impact. We will explore the emotions and experiences of this family, while we learn takeaways on how we can live a life that is completely sold out to our great God! **This is a virtual, four-week study.**

Click the title to begin the study.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Peggy Dresser

In loving memory of Dick Dresser and Morgan Jones

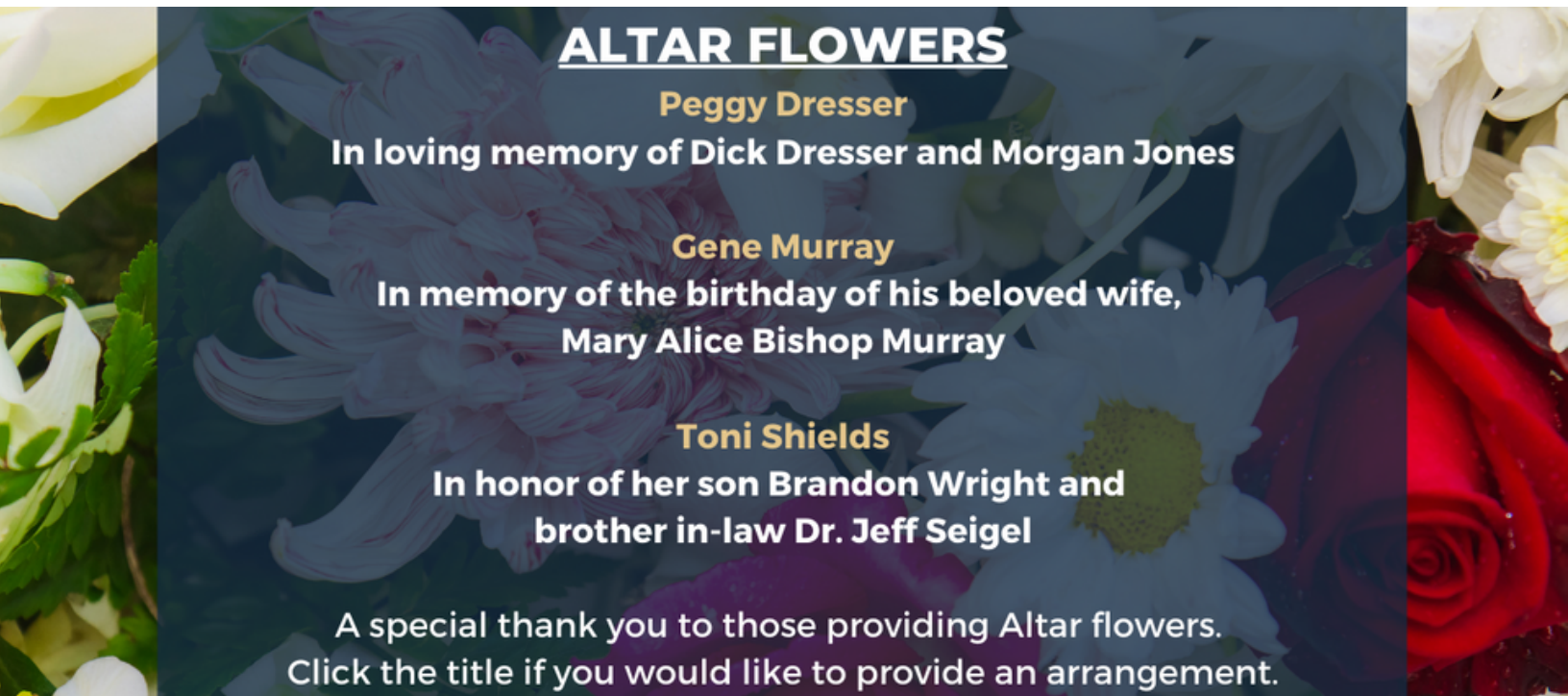
Gene Murray

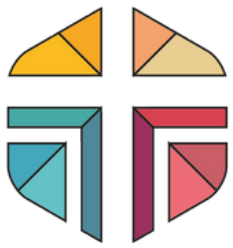
In memory of the birthday of his beloved wife,
Mary Alice Bishop Murray

Toni Shields

In honor of her son Brandon Wright and
brother in-law Dr. Jeff Seigel

A special thank you to those providing Altar flowers.
Click the title if you would like to provide an arrangement.





Congregational Care

Please click the title to access Care.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

If you enjoy knitting or crocheting, then this could be a ministry for you. The group gathers weekly to knit and crochet and set aside time to pray over the shawls. Several shawls are on display in the Care Office. Please stop and make your selection. Each shawl is wrapped in prayer to bring comfort to someone who is on a difficult journey.

To join, click the title or call the Care Office at (352) 750-4529.



NEW CONCERNS

Family of Jason Allen

Leanne Austin

Lucille

Bill Barron

Sharon Meyer

Janice Brian

Naomi Prothro

Kristyn & John Briggs

Vincent Ruffino

Christine Campbell Vicki & Steve Swanson

Cheryl Ellmaker

Douglas Svendsen

Martin Haney

Laura Tomich

Terry Kane

OUR LOVE & SYMPATHY ARE EXTENDED TO...

Judy Oathout, family and friends
on the passing of her husband
Ed Oathout.



[Click here to access Celebration of Life services.](#)

[Click here for the current list of Weekly Prayer Concerns.](#)

Your prayers are requested for our virtual prayer quilts. If you have Facebook, please click on each quilt, pray, and then “like” the picture to symbolize the tying of a knot. Knots will be physically tied by staff as a tangible representation of all the prayers and love offered on behalf of those in need. Even if you do not have Facebook, you can still pray for those receiving the quilts.



H.B. suffering from shingles, followed by encephalitis



L.T. is suffering with nodules on the vocal cords and possibility of cancer



M.H. is having open heart surgery



S.L. is suffering from Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

Viewing for Weekend Services from October 24 - 25
total **2,616**

VIRTUAL

Worship 2,149

IN-PERSON

Sat 5PM 103 | Sun 9AM 181 | Sun 11AM 169 | Youth 14

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