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Pastor's Message

Dear Friends,

Summer is upon us – actually it’s been close to 90 for over two months! We are planning summer activities and vacations. We all hope to enjoy some time to relax and refresh ourselves. In order to help us do just that, I suggest we continue to look at five more suggestions from Jack Canfield (of *Chicken Soup for the Soul* fame) in “**15 Things You Should Give Up to be Happy.**” I presented the first five last month and will conclude with the last five next month. May you all be blessed, safe, and reasonably happy!

Pastor Bill

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6. Give up complaining. Give up your constant need to complain about those .many, many, many things – people, situations, events that make you unhappy, sad and depressed. Nobody can make you unhappy, no situation can make you sad or miserable unless you allow it to. It’s not the situation that triggers those feelings in you, but how you choose to look at it. Never underestimate the power of positive thinking.

7. Give up the luxury of criticism. Give up your need to criticize things, events or people that are different than you. We are all different, yet we are all the same. We all want to be happy, we all want to love and be loved and we all want to be understood. We all want something, and something is wished by us all.

8. Give up your need to impress others. Stop trying so hard to be something that you’re not just to make others like you. It doesn’t work this way. The moment you stop trying so hard to be something that you’re not, the moment you take off all your masks, the moment you accept and embrace the real you, you will find people will be drawn to you, effortlessly.

9. Give up your resistance to change. Change is good. Change will help you move from A to B. Change will help you make improvements in your life and also the lives of those around you. Follow your bliss, embrace change – don’t resist it. *“Follow your bliss and the universe will open doors for you where there were only walls” Joseph Campbell*

10. Give up labels. Stop labeling those things, people or events that you don’t understand as being weird or different and try opening your mind, little by little. Minds only work when open. *“The highest form of ignorance is when you reject something you don’t know anything about.” Wayne Dyer*



Pastoral Assistant

SUMMER, ALREADY?! I guess it's time to change gears! Please note the following revisions to allow for the slower pace of summer.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL will continue again in September. Please let me know of any favorite topics which would be of interest.

YOUTH GROUP will meet Sunday mornings in Classroom #1 with Miss Beverly, as well as Tuesday nights for Terrific Tuesdays. We are also working on a calendar of monthly events throughout the year, such as a Pool Party at the Schafer home from Noon-3:00 on June 2nd, and Universal Theme Park early in November. Please watch for and support fund raisers to help our youth pay their way to Universal.

CHILDREN GRADES 1-2 will meet for summer Sunday school in the Nursery, and GRADES 3-6 will meet in Classroom #2. (School Grade designation will include those children rising to that grade in the fall.)

TERRIFIC TUESDAYS will continue through the summer with the revised format of beginning at 6:30 PM after eating dinner at home, and then ending around 8:00 PM. FELLOWSHIP is the key word for what has become a regular gathering of about 20 ADULTS and YOUTH (and one CHILD MASCOT :) We enjoy one another so much that we just can't stop! Come be a part of our TERRIFIC TUESDAYS!

Y.E.S. (Youth Elder Services) is a new POUCC Youth Group activity formed specifically for helping our congregation's older generation -- or the infirm -- by assisting with or doing odd jobs around your home or property. There are no fees for this service as it is primarily meant to be a labor of love, but donations to the Universal trip account of the particular youth assisting you would be humbly accepted should you absolutely insist. Please call me when you need an assist from Y.E.S. This program will begin immediately following our similar support of Levi Zinke's trip to Pittsburgh the week of June 17th as a member of the State of Florida All-Star High School Rugby Team. **Levi, we are so very proud of you!**

Whatever your summer plans include, may you all be blessed with happiness and good health! In the meantime -- SEE YOU AT CHURCH!

Joyfully,

Beverly

Beverly Schafer
Pastoral Assistant



Financial Update

Operational Budget as of 4/30/12

	ACTUAL	BUDGET
	<u>Jan.-Apr. 2012</u>	<u>Jan.-Apr. 2012</u>
Income	\$67,052	\$59,943
Expenses	\$55,058	\$56,907
Net	\$11,994	\$ 3,036

We are still over budget on income, which is a very good thing! Our expenses are still slightly less than budgeted so we are still doing very well in my opinion. Now that many, if not most, of our "snow birds" have left we will have to see how income is affected over the next several months.

Respectfully submitted, Susie Greiff, Treasurer

OPERATIONS TEAM

The Team met a week earlier given the needs of members and schedules. The following actions were taken:

1. It was approved for the POMA Music Camp here over two weeks in the morning next month. Pastor Bill will work out the details and any extra usage fees with Director Ed Clowers based on what they already pay.
2. The Team was showed the area of the "old" kitchen in the sanctuary and discussed the installation of wall to wall closets and there was a unanimous decision to have Jeff Wise - who is doing the Sanctuary lights, work up a price and a visual plan on doing the work. *Note: If we are going to put any money into a plumber to cap off the old water line we need to cap it off behind that boxed in section that runs the length from the closet to the glass door, or at least take a look in there.* It was also unanimous that any closets built should not be any deeper than the closet where the water heater was. No one thought any new closets should reach out into the sanctuary more than what is there now.

Further Details:

The closet in this "new" area would allow the Deacon's closet to be used as intended as a doorway to the James Reed room. This and fire and safety perspective is vital for the congregation to realize and to support the Church Council in approving the expenditure. Pastor Bill will follow through with Jeff Wise.

3. The Team also voted to get rid of those 6 or 7 particle board tables and purchase new, much lighter, tables at SAM's. Those tables would have to fit into this new closet space. *Note: Dalen will be getting a SAM's card for the church this week and check into sizes and prices.*
4. The Insurance conversion to the new carrier was again discussed and approved pending confirmation regarding liability issues surrounding the possible construction of a new playground on site. I will pursue wrapping that up within the week. The premium savings will amount to @ \$4,000 annually.

Dalen Mills, Chair of Operations Team

DEACONS CORNER

I would like to give you some insight as to directions the deacons are looking and projects that are ongoing and new. Under the ongoing section we are continuing to look at getting a couple of new worship banners - we are hopeful to make some decisions soon as to the number and type - it should be neat to have a new look from behind pulpit. Another ongoing and revisited operation is the Safe Church Policy. Recent events have occurred that moved us into action to revisit and renew a Committee (Charlie Baskin, Bob Brewster, and Tim Schafer) to go over the needs of the church and update the policies that are to be followed. We have to be responsible in these difficult days and times, and prepare for events that may be unpleasant, but would be worse if there was no plan in place.

As far as new, the response from the new blended format of worship used at our recent Confirmation Sunday has been overwhelmingly positive. We are in discussion with Pastor Bill about the use of that format on an occasional basis - specifically for combined services this summer on July 1st, August 5th, and September 2nd

On a personal note, thanks to everyone who has assisted in administration of the sacraments recently - especially the Confirmands. Finally, please remember that the goal for me is to bring people to Christ in that they can feel comfortable with their own relationship with God. As always, feel free to contact the Rev. Bill, myself, or any deacon if you are not comfortable with something that has to do with our services or ministries. We are a family - Christ's family - and I firmly believe we are doing the work of the Lord here in this place.

Joe Thompson, Chair of Deacons Team

CONGRATS TO OUR YOUTH



Tommy Buller participated in the 2012 Special Olympics Florida State Summer Games. The games were held in Orlando, FL at the Wide World of Sports May 18-19th.

Tommy played Juniors Soccer 5 on 5 representing Silver Sands Middle School Warriors – Volusia County. The team brought home the Bronze Medal. Coach G (Laurie Gawriluk) was also recognized receiving a medal for Most Inspirational Coach of Volusia County. Congratulations Tommy and the entire Warriors team!

On February 19, 2012 Aydan and Blake Buller received their Religious Emblem for Cub Scouts. They studied hard as they went through the workbook *"God and Family"*. This was a 2 month endeavor which included attending weekly 2 hour meetings led by Pastor Jason of the First Baptist Church Daytona Beach. There were also homework assignments and projects that were done on their own time each week. They learned the teachings of Jesus, what it means to honor God, others and themselves. They even memorized the Ten Commandments. What a wonderful achievement for all of the boys!



SPORTS NOTE

“RENT AN ATHLETE”: Levi Zinke is still in need of sponsors for his trip to Pittsburgh, PA as a member of the FL All-Star High School Rugby Team. If you need help with chores, tutoring, etc., please see sign-up sheet on bulletin board in the church. He needs to raise \$400 for his June trip. Good luck Levi!



CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

CONGRATUATIONS: To our High School Graduates: Lauren Scalf and Trey Zinke who will be graduating from Mainland High. Lauren will be attending Daytona State in the Fall; Trey has a contract with SWCC (US Navy) and will train at Great Lakes Naval Base and then move on to Coronado Naval Base in California. Richard Devins, Jr. will graduate from Spruce Creek High School and will be attending University of Florida in the Fall. Best of Luck to all three!

HELP WANTED

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Anyone interested in helping with our Fellowship Ministry, please call June Ferreri at 322-4099.



THE GIFT & THRIFT STORE



Thrift Store Request: Jewelry donations have been very low this year. Please visit your jewelry box and find the pieces you no longer want and donate them. Include broken items; i.e., those with missing stones, broken clasps, broken chains, broken bead items, lone earrings, etc. Some of these can be repaired or made into another item. Also, we need other nearly new items that are no longer wanted by you. If you donate clothing, please launder and neatly fold the items to help the volunteers. Recycle with us. Thanks,
Barb Pountain

GETTING TO KNOW OUR WILLING WORKERS

In the mid 1990's, Pastor Levina got me involved with the opening of Palmetto House in downtown Daytona Beach. Soon I was collecting bedding, alarm clocks, waste baskets, clothing and other items to furnish the hotel rooms. The first year I purchased a bolt of material on sale and sewed valances for 48 rooms. Then when the Thrift Store opened, I saw another need to continue collecting useable items to donate.

From the beginning, my friends, neighbors and family, especially Jack, have helped me. Now that we reside in a condo, the help has increased. Often, I find bags of items left on our doorstep, or better yet, right by the trunk of our car on the day I volunteer at the Thrift Store. Hardly a Wednesday goes by that I don't bring in donations. Then to top it off, Barbara often gives me suitcases, duffle bags, clothing and other useful items to bring to the residents at Palmetto House. Thus, the giving goes on.

An added pleasure to all this is the enjoyment I experience interacting with other volunteers and customers during my Wednesday afternoon shift. Most days the three hour shift flies by as the shop takes in lots of money to help our church. After all, that is the ultimate goal. It's a good feeling. *Pat Hilgenberg*

Stewardship isn't always about money, it's giving of ourselves with time, talent and energy. A good question when you think about roughly \$30,000 taken in over a year's time. We not only help our Church pay its bills but provide help to the community. Yes it's all donated and we all volunteer our time, some more than others.

It's like a beehive and we all work doing things to hold it all together. Some repair items, some clean, the store has to be kept clean, clothing presentable, pressing, pricing, etc. We always try to put our best foot forward (as we are presenting the Church to the public). We try to make everyone welcome if they buy or not.

Some are lonely and just come in to hear a friendly voice. We invite them to Church and some do take us up on that. I believe God has put us here for a reason. I've worked there going on 13 years and I cherish my time spent there. If you've never been to our little store, stop in and think about volunteering three hours a week and see how it rewards you. That includes men also. We can always use extra hands in the summer months.

You won't regret it. God Bless. *Mary Ann Stewart*

"Confidence doesn't come easily to me. I'm always afraid of disappointing someone or saying the wrong thing at the wrong time-and the list goes on. I can be my own worst enemy and critic. I'm not perfect and I never will be this side of heaven. But what I am is willing. I find great comfort and awe in allowing God to use this imperfect vessel to accomplish God's purposes. I realize that God doesn't really need me. I'm pretty ordinary and God is a pretty capable God. But, if I don't respond to God's call, I miss out on the blessing of being used. And being drawn out of my comfort zone brings me to a new level of trust. So, in myself, I'm not much. But I'm a king's kid, and in God's hands I'm everything." This reading from **These Days: Daily Devotions** really hit home with me and I would think with many of the other volunteers here at POUCC. Please be willing to help our church in any way that you can. Just ask any volunteer, the rewards are priceless.

Barb Pountain

CONFIRMATION CLASS



CONFIRMATION SUNDAY: Congratulations to all our young adults who were confirmed on May 6th. In the weeks leading up to their Confirmation, they inspired us with their reflections on their Memory Verse Presentations. We are very proud of you all. We would also like to thank the Mentors that have guided the Confirmands through this journey of faith.

Our Confirmands

*Kaylei Wierzbicki, Lauren Scalf, Hunter Bryan
Elijah Buller, James Buller, Tommy Buller,
Trey Thompson, Dallas Davis & Pastor Bill.*



WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME: To our newest members Tim & Shannan Wierzbicki who were received by Affirmation into the church on Confirmation Sunday and their son Roman who was baptized.

THE WIERZBICKI FAMILY

*Shannan, Kaylei, Tim, Roman
& Pastor Bill*



A SPECIAL THANK YOU: To June Ferreri and the Fellowship Ministry for the lovely reception following Confirmation. The decorations, food and especially the cake were wonderful additions to this joyful day.



SPECIAL OFFERINGS

SPREAD THE LOVE

Strengthen the Church
Special Mission Offering

Our congregation has responded to our annual appeal for “Strengthen the Church” offering. A total of \$300 has been donated for the collection so far.



Thanks to everyone who donated diapers, wipes, food, bottles, dishes, clothes, receiving blankets, a carrier, a swing, etc. for the Pregnancy Crisis Center. We appreciate your generosity and compassion!

MISSION OFFERINGS

PLEASE HELP: Mission boxes are located throughout the Building. Please remember your gift goes a long way in helping so many who are in such great need.

YOUR FOOD BASKET DONATIONS



We continue to collect food items to donate at the Episcopal Help Center. Please be generous and make sure all donations have NOT passed their expiration dates (clearly marked on all cans, boxes, and containers). We need to remember to bring in food during the slimmer Summer months.

There is a specific need for rice and peanut butter...PLEASE donate ONLY 1 pound bags of rice and 1 pound jars of peanut butter so they can be given to individual families.

AUGUST IS A SPECIAL MONTH



August is “Choose Your Sermon” Month. Pastor Bill has placed a sign-up sheet on the sanctuary bulletin board. You may choose a topic or a specific scripture on which you would like him to preach. Actual topics/scriptures chosen are up to Pastor Bill but all entries must be accompanied with your name as the one requesting the sermon.

TERRIFIC TUESDAYS

TIME CHANGE—6:30 PM—8:00 PM



Terrific Tuesdays

FUN, FELLOWSHIP & FAITH FOR ALL AGES

Upcoming Event: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6TH—Beverly Schafer and the Youth Group are planning a trip to Palmetto House. They will be meeting at the church at 4:45 PM, departing no later than 5:00 PM and return to the church around 6:30 PM. Permission slips are available and must be returned to Beverly prior to June 6th.

PLEASE NOTE: PASTOR BILL'S BIBLE STUDY HAS ENDED FOR THE SUMMER AND DINNER IS NO LONGER SERVED.

SECOND THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP DINNER



Every Second Thursday at 6:00 pm, POUCC has a wonderful Fellowship Dinner in the Jim Reed Building. If you have attended, you already know that we EAT, TALK, LAUGH, SING and ENJOY each others company. If YOU have not attended, isn't it time for you to put this time on your calendar?

The food is Pot Luck and it is delicious! **Just bring your favorite main or side dish, salad, or dessert. Of course, bring your appetite and laughter as well!**

*Make your plans to come to the next dinner Thursday June 14th.
Sign-up on Sanctuary Bulletin Board.*



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Sunday, JUNE 17TH

Make sure you do something nice for your Dad!

CONGRATULATIONS: Our Moderator, Mrs. Sherian Buller, was elected at the recent Annual Assembly of the Florida UCC meeting in Vero Beach to become a member of the Conference's Budget and Finance Committee. Thanks for all you do Sher!

THANKS FOR BAKING COOKIES FOR ANNUAL CONFERENCE: A special THANK YOU to Sue Batturs, June Ferreri, Jackie Gaither and Beverly Schafer and the youth Group: Lauren Scalf, Kaylei Wierzbicki, Hunter Bryan, Payton Bryan, Amanda Stanley (Hunter's friend), Trey Thompson, Van Thompson, Dallas Davis and Gregory Phillips (Trey's friend), for each baking 3 dozen cookies each, and to one "mystery" baker who left another 3 dozen cookies on covered paper plates Thursday, May 3rd, to be taken to our Florida UCC Annual Conference the next day in Vero Beach. This brought us to a total of 15 dozen cookies, which were very much appreciated. How Pastor Bill and Beverly managed to stay out of those cookies on their drive to Vero Beach is another mystery!



Thanks for all your prayers, cards, phone calls and e-mails during my last surgery and recuperation. The results were all negative and I am so thankful. *"Bernie" Hunt*

Thank you to everyone in my POUCC Family for all your thoughtfulness during my recent surgery and rehab. I appreciate your cards, calls, prayers, and visits. May God bless you all with joyful hearts. *Helen Holmes*

I would like to thank everyone for their calls and prayers. I am doing much better and surgery is not required. *Helen Fisher*



GREAT NEWS: I am happy to report that our old church organ has been sold! The organ will be going to a church in the Dominican Republic. It will be used to train new organists who will be playing in several different churches in Santo Domingo. Our organ, which faithfully served us for 31 years, will have a new life serving others. Things really do work out. Special thanks to Bob Brewster for helping us!



SPECIAL RECOGNITION: On Sunday, *May 20th at the 10:45 AM Service*, we celebrated Dr. Thomas Naus' 10th Anniversary as our Music Minister. Dr Naus began here on April 7, 2002 and has been providing outstanding musical direction which has beautifully enhanced our Worship Services. In honor of his anniversary, a Doctoral Choral Robe has been ordered for him by the Congregation.



INFORMATION NEEDED: We are in the process of compiling an updated Church Directory. If any of your information has changed (address, phone number or e-mail) please contact Kathy in the Church Office.

JUNE Birthdays*

Diane Kirlin	6/1
Ruth Brewster	6/2
Bob Gaither	
Delana Pack	
Liz Mills	6/5
Jack Rogers	6/6
Jeanette Campbell	6/7
Nancy Snow	
Trey Thompson	6/8
Rowan Schafer-Ramoutar	6/10
Lisa Wassner	6/15
Helen Acri	6/21
Charlie Baskin	
Bill Greiff	
Bill Ebbert	6/22
June Ebbert	
Alexandra Stierli	6/23
Elijah Buller	6/25
Tim Schafer	6/26
Mary Daigneau	6/28
Lauren Scalf	

JUNE Anniversaries*

Shirley & Roger Harper	6/1/1948
Mary Anne & John Stewart	6/2/1951
Judy & Mack Higgins	6/17/1974
Pastor Bill & Lisa Wassner	6/21/2007
June & Bill Ebbert	6/22/1951
Doreen & Bill (Sr.) Wheeler	6/24/1972
Beverly & Tim Schafer	6/28/1962

Note: *Please contact the church office to update our records if we missed your birthday or anniversary.



Mark your calendars, we will be having combined Worship Services at 9:45 AM on the following Sundays: July 1st, August 5th and September 2nd.



PRAYER REQUESTS*

Special Needs:

All of Our Military & Their Families

Family & Friends of Lois Wilson	Former Member of POUCC
Tracey Bailey & Family	Friend of Buller Family
Molly Baskin	Member of POUCC
Aydan Buller	Member of POUCC
Fred Campbell	Member of POUCC
Thea Cloutier	Member of POUCC
Jackie Clough & Family	Member of POUCC
- in loss of husband Roscoe ("Rocky")	
Mary Daigneau	Member of POUCC
Ande Danhauer	Friend of Joe Thompson
Bob Erdman	Friend of Pastor Bill
Dixs Harper	Brother of Roger Harper
Roger Harper	Member of POUCC
Helen McGuffie	Member of POUCC
Dr. Ken Siladi	Florida Conference Minister
- in loss of Mother	

Larry Terzo	Husband of Zinke's Niece
Jim Turner	Husband of Sue Turner
Robert Walker	Brother-In-Law of Bill & Doreen Wheeler

In Care Facilities:

Rosemary Smith	Member POUCC (Sterling House)
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Ongoing Prayers

Helen Acri, Harry Balmes, Kimberly Comfort, Gary Crippin, Carolyn Hoffman, Dwight Flatt, Alan Jerousek, Bob Kirlin, Sr., Lawson Lewis, Isalene and Dean Montgomery, Alice Morsey, Charlene Mullins & Mother, Terry Ruetmer, Ricky Sawyer, Kristel Smith, Owen Sowers, Roy Spiller, Bobby Tamaris, Steven Teeter, Will Welch, Jean Wishart

**The Prayer Chain prays regularly for the entire church family of POUCC*

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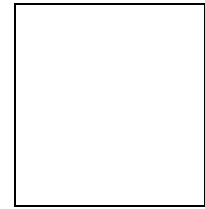
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Youth Pool Party at Schafer's 12–3 PM
3 Contemporary 8:45 am Sunday School 9:45 am Traditional 10:45 am	4	5 Terrific Tuesdays 6:30 – 8:00 pm	6 Palmetto House 5:30 pm Youth Attending	7 Line Dancing 6:00 pm	8	9
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Thrift Store Hours: M-F 9 am – 3 pm

Church Office Hours: M-F 9 am - 1 pm

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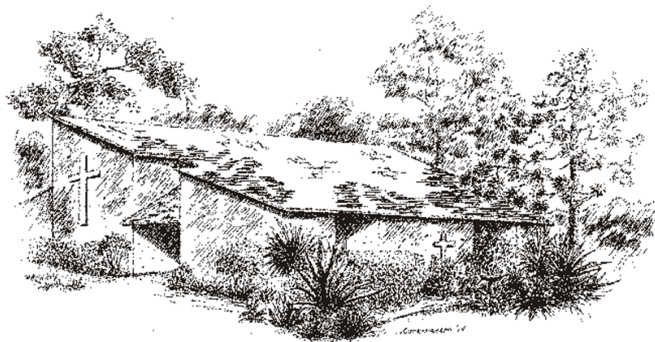
Monday—Friday

Sunday Services

8:45 AM & 10:45 AM

Sunday School

9:45 AM



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