



SOUNDINGS

October 2016

To joyfully
share the
love of
Christ as
we...

WORSHIP

GOD

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TO GROW

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Cliff's Notes

Rev. Cliff V. Melvin



It has been a whirlwind September with the move into our new offices across the street at the Greytwig house and the installation of our new phone system. Thankfully, we are about 90% complete and getting used to our new settings. The choir and Marcos are happy to have the choir room back and the youth are loving their new space (my old office). We accomplished our flood bucket goal (30) and greatly surpassed it with 54 buckets sent to Louisiana and north Florida. Our buckets

joined a total of over 3000 from our Florida United Methodist Churches! What a fantastic witness this will be for the people who receive the buckets and how thankful I am to pastor a church where our people are doing the gospel, not just talking about it!

You will be receiving a survey very soon that will assist our 5 Year Planning Team with some important decisions for our future. Please be looking for this and give it your attention so that your input is received. This input will help us determine a direction for future ministries as well as what facility improvements will be needed.

Please mark your calendar for our Annual

Church Conference to be held on November 7, 7pm, at First United Methodist, Vero Beach. This is a new format for our Church Conference. All six of the Indian River County United Methodist churches will meet together for worship and fellowship and then have their individual conferences. It should be fun to gather with our UMC friends!



WORSHIP

JOIN OUR CHOIRS AT CBTS THIS YEAR! You don't have to sing like Pavarotti or even read music. Just a heart for God! Please come on Thursdays starting on October 6th at 6 PM for our Chancel Choir and/or our Christmas Cantata Choir at 7 PM.

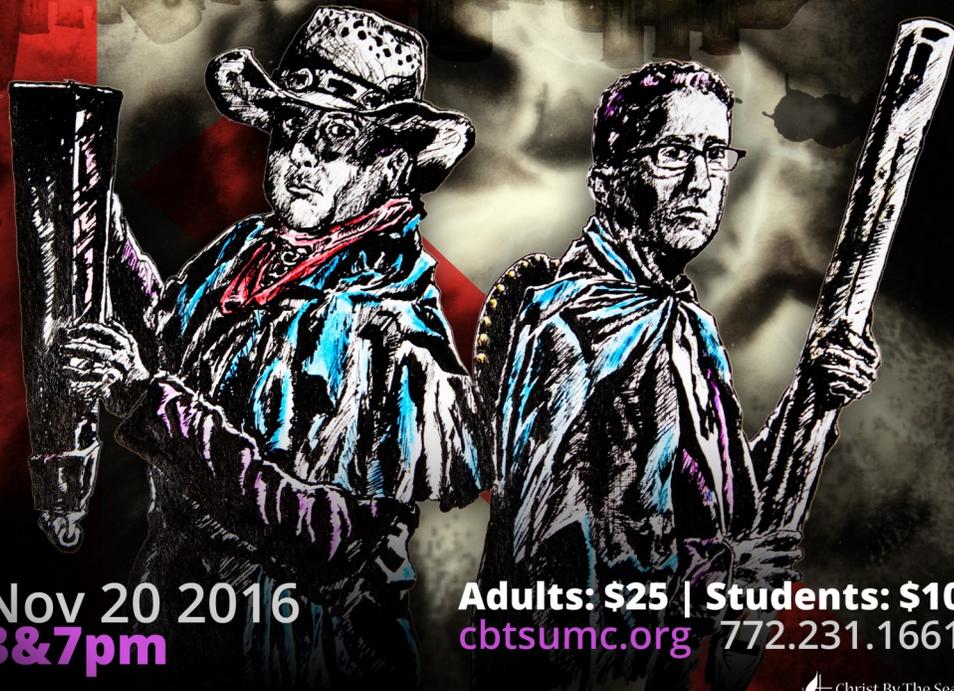
JOIN OUR CBTS BELL CHOIR THIS YEAR! No experience needed; just to be able to read a little bit of music. Bells are fun! We rehearse on Wednesdays from 4-5 PM starting on October 5, 2016. Please, contact Marcos Flores for more information 772/231-1661, x303.

JS Bach • Dupré • Debussy • Chopin • Bonnet • Peeters • Morales • Milano
Dr. **Marcos Daniel Flores**, piano | Dr. **José Daniel Flores**, organ

The **Dueling Brothers**
represent

WHO IS THE KING OF INSTRUMENTS?

an organ & piano duel to settle the age-old rivalry



Nov 20 2016
3&7pm

Adults: \$25 | Students: \$10
cbtsumc.org 772.231.1661

Christ by the Sea UMC 3755 Hwy A1A Vero Beach, FL 32963

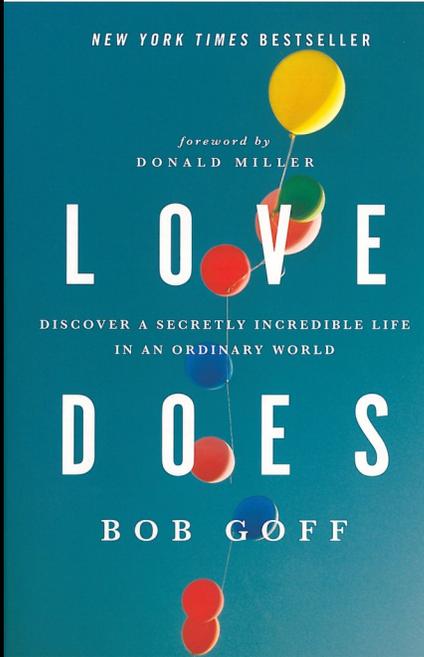


CONNECT — Grow in Faith this Fall

Love Does - New Wednesday Night Christmas Enrichment

As a college student he spent sixteen days in the Pacific Ocean with five guys and a crate of canned meat. As a father he took his kids on a world tour to eat ice cream with heads of state. He made friends in Uganda, and they liked him so much he became the Uganda consul. His grades weren't good enough to get into law school, so he sat on the bench outside the dean's office for seven days until they finally let him enroll.

This is Bob Goff the author of our next Wednesday Night Christian Enrichment, Love Does. The series begins October 12, 6:15pm in Ratcliff Hall. Sign up at the Connection Point to participate in this opportunity to see faith simple and real.



New Kid's Sunday School Class Added

We are pleased to announce a new class for Grades 4-6 has been added to our children's ministry. Serina and Tom Halverson have accepted the challenge to provide an age appropriate Christian education opportunity for kids at CBTS. Please pray for them as they take on this endeavor and pray for the kids who will benefit. Should you have a neighbor kid or family member in this age group consider inviting them!



SERVE

International Ministry Fair - Sunday October 9

Fellowship Hour Sunday October 9 (plan to join us) will feature our international ministries supported by the Serve Committee of Christ by the Sea. During worship there will be a ministry minute featuring Haiti Partners. Here are brief descriptions of our international ministries:



- **Costa Rica: Mission Projects and Mission Trip** – This is the third year we have supported this ministry. Wil Bailey, a Methodist missionary, leads this mission in San Isidro de General, Costa Rica. CBTS provides \$2,000 per year for Wil's personal support and have sent two mission teams (2014 and 2016) to work on construction projects which are part of Wil's ministry. In July 2016 CBTS partnered with the Roseland UMC in Sebastian on this trip, led by **Art Alston**. The team worked to provide homes for CR women abandoned by husbands. The women are getting an education so they can provide long-term for their children.

Website: <http://costaricamissionprojects.com/>

SERVE Continued

- **Cuba: La Roca de Salvacion, Las Parras, Cuba** – CBTS has supported this Cuban church for decades providing spiritual support, maintaining contact, and helping with basic financial needs. In 2016 we funded the purchase of a new parsonage adjacent to the church, doubling the size of the church property. We funded the construction of a children’s classroom, a bathroom, new floors, lighting, fans, children’s Bible materials, and cell phones for the pastor and key members to maintain communication. Each year we subsidize the pastor’s annual salary, pay for a church-wide Christmas Eve dinner, and organize a visit team. **Carol Martin leads this ministry.**

- **Haiti: Haiti Partners** – This is the first year CBTS supported this ministry. Kent Annan and John Engle, both of Vero Beach, founded it in 2009 but have 25 years on-the-ground experience in Haiti, the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere. Haiti offers almost no public education, and this ministry runs one school and partners with six more. They also educate Haitian Christian leaders about harmful social practices such as Restavek- a system of child slavery in Haiti. We will be donating \$2000 from our operating budget to fund the publication of literature to educate Haitian pastors about why this practice is not in keeping with God’s Will. **Al and Betty Sammartino lead this ministry.**
Website: <http://www.haitipartners.org/>

- **Haiti: Living Hope Haiti** – This is the first year CBTS supported this ministry. Calvin Babcock is a principal in this organization. He is the brother of Lisa Taylor, who attends CBTS. The Babcock family built an orphanage in Haiti years ago, and today they offer medical services, sponsor schools, orphanages, and are working to improve the quality of life for Haitians living in the area of St. Michel de Attalaye. Christ by the Sea is funding the construction of a public toilet in this area as there are very few toilets, creating a health hazard for the village. **Lisa Taylor and Kathy Dunlop lead this ministry.**
Website: <http://www.livinghopehaiti.com>

- **Operation Christmas Child (OCC)** is a project of Samaritan’s Purse, international Christian relief and evangelism organization headed by Franklin Graham. The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God’s love in a tangible way to children in need around the world, and share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Since 1993, Operation Christmas Child has collected and delivered more than 135 million gift-filled shoeboxes to children in more than 150 countries and territories Boxes will be available in Ratcliff Hall beginning October 16 and are due back at the church no later than November 13. Should you not be available to shop, but would like to participate you can donate \$30 (check made to CBTS – Memo Line Operation Christmas Child) and Samaritan’s Purse will pack the box for you. Cathy Laite and Don Combs lead this ministry.
website: samaritanpurse.org/occ


Staff Parish Relations

October – Pastor Appreciation Month

Dear Friends in Christ,

Spend a few minutes thinking about the ways in which Pastor Cliff lightens your life and gladdens your heart, and you will discover there are many ways. For each of us, the list will be different. My list, for example begins with teaching; it is what I learn – without fail – each time I sit in Sunday service and listen to his lesson, and each time I sit in class with him. What I learn from Cliff's teaching draws me closer to God and gives me courage to walk the journey of faith.

The CBTS Staff Parish Relations Committee invite each of you to single out the number one item on your list of appreciation for the ways in which Pastor Cliff has personally lifted you up, comforted you, made you laugh, and given you strength. After you decide on that number one item, write it on a card, and place the card in the Appreciation Card basket in Ratcliff Hall on October 16, 2016. This is the day we will show our respect and regard for Pastor Cliff, Lisa, and Jack with a reception following the Sunday Church Service. We hope you will join us! *Jeanne Holmes-Buttner—Chair*

CBTS Staff Parish Relations Committee: **Linda Petrilla, Ann Whitford, Mary Walker, Dot Allen, Mike Latimer, Sandy Stevens, Tom Bugg, Jim Brumbaugh, Richard Dunlop, Julie Madsen, Jeanne Holmes-Buttner.**

Annual Church Conference

CHARGE/CHURCH CONFERENCE

November 7, 2016 AT 7:00 pm

Location: **First United Methodist Church**
1750 20th Street, Vero Beach, 32960

State of the Church Report & 2017 Leadership

(Every member has a vote.)

No members to be removed

FINANCE

Financial Summary

(Snap shot of the numbers as of 08/31/2016)

General Offering

Income \$107,077
Expense \$130,883
Deficit (\$23,806)

(Fiscal Year to Date)

Attendance

Average Weekly 2016 341
Average Weekly 2015 358
% Difference (down) (4.88%)

(Calendar Year to Date)

A Message from the UMW President



Our first meeting after our summer hiatus was indeed an informative one. Greg Vofiades of Shining Light Gardens filled us in on their project from the beginning to what it is now. A working farm manned solely by volunteers doing God's work feeding the poor with fresh grown, healthy produce. Bless them all.

Our next meeting on **Oct. 5, at 11:45** will host guest speaker, Trista Calvin of the United Methodist Children's Home. Carol Martin and I visited The United Methodist Children's Home several weeks back, and we should all be proud of the great work our church does. Call Phyllis Brewer at 234-8254 if you aren't a UMW member to make a reservation, all are welcome. It is a covered dish luncheon.

Tickets are on sale in Ratcliff Hall for the **Nov. 11 Fashion Show** at Bent Pine Golf Club. If any of our members belong to a golf club, I prevail upon you to ask for a door prize of a foursome of golf.

Blessings, Toby Ann Mann

Pumpkin Patch 2016

First we will be unloading this years load on 10/13 at 4:00 PM. We will need lots of volunteers in order to unload efficiently and promptly.

If all goes well, we will plan to open for business on 10/14 at 9:00 AM. We will be open 7 days 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM till 10/31, Halloween eve. Obviously it will take a lot of volunteers to man 3 hour shifts Please set aside some time and sign up to volunteer. You will enjoy seeing the young ones, neighbors and friends of CBTS stop by.

Once again we plan to feature face-painting, a bounce house, baked goods, local honey, apple butter and other interesting items. Late October in paradise is always a fun time. The Pumpkin Patch fits right in as a wonderful fall project.

There are lots of things to do and activities to participate in. Please plan to do your part. As Pastor Cliff has said --while we do not want to be known only as a church that has a pumpkin patch, we do want to use this activity to serve our community!



Peace! ~David Althoff

Birthdays

10/01- Joann Rondeau
10/02- Michael Hewitt
10/02- Diana Flores
10/04- Linda Petrilla
10/07- Jean Grider
10/08- Norm Dykema
10/09- Barbara Brumbaugh
10/09- Wesley Davidson
10/09- Carol Holmes
10/10- Beth Bugg
10/11- David Vogt
10/11- Ellis Storms
10/14- William Nicholas
10/14- Christina Wilkinson
10/14- Helen Waltman
10/16- Ann Danshaw
10/17- Barbara Barr
10/19- Sandy Davidson
10/19- Shelly Goodnight
10/21- Alice Brady
10/21- Ed Danshaw
10/21- Will Tremml

10/22- Wayne Collier
10/24- Dottie Lyon
10/26- Charles Scragg
10/26- Ann Kauffman
10/27- Sara Stuckey
10/28- Kathleen Whittet
10/30- Sue Wilson
10/30- Mary Lazarides
10/31- Mildred Chrisman



Thank you for our beautiful new office space!

So many hands doing God's work and so much to be grateful for. The office on Greytwig across the street from the church, is complete. We are still working on getting some small items and having to duplicate office supplies, but it is a work in progress. We would like to express our gratitude and thankfulness to the Building Committee—Steve Barth, Bill Mann, Roy Daniels, Dave Althoff, Gene Lyon, Tom Dougherty, Bill Thomson, Nancy Hamilton, Buster Stewart, Richard Dunlop, Deanna and Byron Himelick. We are especially blessed to have members from this committee and members of the church who actually, physically helped with the construction (what a talented crew). We also need to thank our church members who have tithed and went above and beyond so that this project could happen. We are truly blessed and the staff is appreciative.

Thank you! CBTS Office Staff



Anniversaries October

3rd - Mark and Vivian Mosshart

5th-Ed & Ann Danshaw

8th - Howard and Jean Sears

11th - Ed and Paula Rogers

12th - Sandy and Wesley Davidson

17th - David and Jane Bryant

Tickets for our concert series are available **now online**

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and in the church office.

OCTOBER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 9am—Sunday School 10am—Worship Service	3 10am—Al Anon	4 10am—Grief Support Mtg. 4pm—Serve Mtg.	5 10:30am—Staff Mtg. 11:30am—UMW, Unit Mtg. 4pm—Bell Choir 5:30pm—Dinner 6:15pm—Christian Enrichment 6:30pm—Liturgical Dance	6 10am—Women’s Bible Study 1pm—Crafts 3pm—Adventure Club 5:15pm—Youth Group 6pm—Chancel Choir 7pm—Cantata Choir	7	8 7:30am—Youth in Action 8am—Band of Brothers
9 9am—Sunday School 10am—Worship Service 12:15pm—Serving at the Source	10 10am—Al Anon	11 10am—Grief Support Mtg. 4pm—Trustees Mtg. 6pm—Grievers Support Group Mtg. 7pm—Neighborhood Watch Mtg.	12 10:30am—Staff Mtg. 4pm—Bell Choir 4:30 pm—5yr SP Mtg. 5:30pm—Dinner 6:15pm—Christian Enrichment 6:30pm—Liturgical Dance	13—4pm Pumpkins Delivered 10am—Women’s Bible Study 1pm—Crafts 3pm—Adventure Club 5:15pm—Youth Group 6pm—Chancel Choir 7pm—Cantata Choir	14 Pumpkin Patch 14-31 	15
16 9am—Sunday School 10am—Worship Service Pastor Appreciation Day	17 10am—Al Anon	18 10am—Grief Support Mtg. 10:30am—Worship Mtg. 2:30pm—Endowment Mtg. 4pm—Finance Mtg.	19 10:30am—Staff Mtg. 4pm—Bell Choir 5:30pm—Dinner 6:15pm—Christian Enrichment 6:30pm—Liturgical Dance	20 10am—Women’s Bible Study 11:45am—OWLS 1pm—Crafts 3pm—Adventure Club 5:15pm—Youth Group 6pm—Chancel Choir 7pm—Cantata Choir	21 Pumpkin Patch 14-31 	22
23 9am—Sunday School 10am—Worship Service Becoming Committed	24 10am—Al Anon	25 10am—Grief Support Mtg. 4pm—Church Council	26 10:30am—Staff Mtg. 4pm—Bell Choir 4:30 pm—5yr SP Mtg. 5:30pm—Dinner 6:15pm—Christian Enrichment 6:30pm—Liturgical Dance	27 10am—Women’s Bible Study 1pm—Crafts 3pm—Adventure Club 5:15pm—Youth Group 6pm—Chancel Choir 7pm—Cantata Choir	28 Pumpkin Patch 14-31 	29
30 9am—Sunday School 10am—Worship Service 5th Sunday offering – Children’s Home	31 10am—Al Anon 					