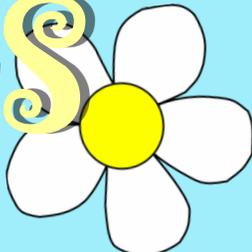


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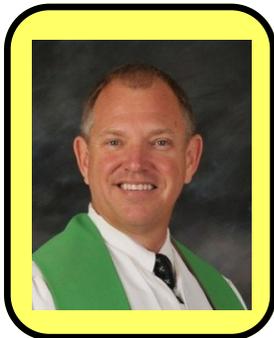


To joyfully
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TO GROW
&
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THE
WORLD

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Cliff's Notes

Rev. Cliff V. Melvin



Have you ever noticed the statue of St. Francis in our atrium? Did you know there was controversy about putting it there, with lots of negative talk? Mary Louise Basore shared with me this piece of our history recently. Her talk with the United Methodist Women about St. Francis helped many to begin to understand the depth and spirit of this great man of faith and paved the way for the acceptance of the statue. Mary Louise told me that a member named, Pard Torrence, wrote these words after that talk which I think speak to the power of Francis' life:

*St. Francis was a simple man
And simple men are rare
He looked for Christ in every man
And Christ was always there.*

Just thought you'd appreciate that little tidbit of our CBTS history. There are three other important items I'd like to share with you this month:

1. Our Mission Team to Puerto Rico leaves on June 16. If you would keep all of us in your prayers it would be greatly appreciated. Also, if you would like to help support the team, any gift would be appreciated. The cost for each team member is \$700. We are bringing 9 teenagers who could especially use the financial support.

2. Our Easter Offering for the renovation of our children's playground fell far short of the goal. We still need over \$10,000 to complete the project. If you would like

to help with this wonderful project, please give me, or Edie, our Church Business Administrator, a call.

3. I will be leading a trip to the Passion Play at Oberammergau, Germany in the summer of 2020. The Pasion Play is performed in Oberammergau every 10 years in response to their city being saved from the plague in the 1630's. We will also enjoy a 7-day Danube River Cruise taking in Germany, Austria, Slovakia, and Hungary. Join me! Brochures are available in the church office or by calling or emailing me at cmelvin@cbtsumc.org.

Peace,

Cliff



Worship

We're happy to announce that we now have an app available for iPhone and Android smartphone users! If you download the app, you'll have instant access to our sermons, midweek messages, calendar, a full-digital Bible and more. Stay up-to-date with us! Instructions to download below:



iPhone users: Visit the App Store, and search for the **Sharefaith App**. Click to download. Once the app has downloaded, open it. You will be prompted to search for your church - enter "Christ by the Sea UMC" and select our church when it appears. The app will then query you "Which Icon would you like to use for the home screen?" - select "**My Ministry.**" The app will then ask if you'd like to receive notifications. If you would like for your phone to alert you when there is a new midweek message or sermon added, click "**Allow.**" Note: this can be changed at any time.

Android users: Go to the Google Play store and search for "Christ by the Sea" - once our app appears, simply download and enjoy!

DON'T FORGET!

We go back to one service the first week of May.

Sunday School will be at
9:00 am.

Worship will be at 10:00 am.

See you then!

SERVICE TIME
CHANGE

Please, join our summer choir May through October 2018.

Simply come on Sundays by 9:30 AM to rehearse with our orchestra the hymns that the choir will lead for worship that day. No audition nor robes needed for the summer choir. You are welcome to join us any Sunday you are able to sing with us. Sing a joyful song unto the Lord!
Amen!

CHRIST BY THE SEA CONCERT SERIES 2018-2019

Nov. 18, 2018, 3 & 7 PM | Six Monster Piano Concert

Feb. 10, 2019, 3 PM | Piano Quintet

Mar. 31, 2019 3 PM | Carusi/Flores Two- Piano Concert

Tickets available starting May 2018—online at cbtsumc.org/Concert-series/ or in the church office, or at the door the day of the concert.

CANTATAS' 2018-2019

Dec. 15, 2018 4:30 & 7:00 PM | Christmas Cantata

Apr. 20, 2019, 4:30 & 7:00 PM | Easter Cantata

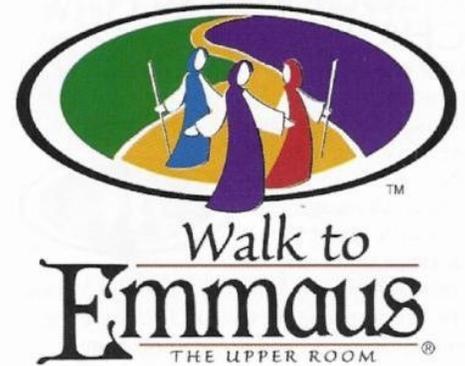
Free— will offering appreciated.

THANK YOU!

ALL WHO HELPED
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RISEN! ALLELUIA!

Our Emmaus Community Expands

Less than a year ago Pastor Cliff asked Ed and Ann Danshaw if they would help establish an Emmaus group at CBTS. Both had completed “The Walk to Emmaus” in New Mexico in late 1990s. A few others who had participated in the pilgrimage were identified and a group was birthed. In the past year, seven new “pilgrims” have experienced the great joy of spiritual renewal on “The Walk to Emmaus”. Reports from each of these have included grateful thanksgiving for the journey in growing discipleship. In addition to Ed and Ann among persons at CBTS who have participated in The Walk to Emmaus are: Ruth Collier, Marion Czaja, Ann Danshaw, Ed Danshaw, Rebecca Fontain, Rita Grimshaw, Al Gustav, Adrianna Lancaster, Ray Lancaster, Pastor Cliff Melvin, Lisa Melvin, Rita Taylor and June Traylor.



The Walk to Emmaus is a spiritual renewal program intended to strengthen the local church through development of Christian disciples and leaders. The Walk to Emmaus experience begins with a 72 hour short course in Christianity, comprised of fifteen talks by lay and clergy on the themes of God’s grace, disciplines of Christian discipleship and what it means to be the church. The course is wrapped in prayer and meditation, special times of worship and daily celebration of Holy Communion. The Emmaus community made up of those who have attended an Emmaus weekend, support the 72 hour experience with a prayer vigil, by preparing and serving meals, and other acts of love and self-giving. The walk usually begins Thursday evening and concludes Sunday evening. Men and women attend separate weekends.

The three days have distinct phases and reflect a Trinitarian framework. The focus on Day One is God and the relationship God offers. The focus of Day Two is Jesus Christ and each disciple’s response to the grace of God in the context of Christian community. The focus of Day Three is the Holy Spirit and the call to live as an active member of the body of Christ through service in church and community. All three days point to the Fourth Day—living every day as a walk with Christ in the company of one another through a lifestyle of regular prayer, study and service.

Adopted From: What is Emmaus by Stephen D. Bryant

Following the Walk to Emmaus some decide to join follow-up groups which meet weekly reviewing their spiritual practices and plans for the week to come. The group’s purpose is to provide ongoing support to live wholly in the grace of God and grow in the spirit of Jesus Christ. Currently at CBTS an Emmaus Group meets Monday afternoons at 4pm. We anticipate the group will continue to grow and we look forward to developing community gatherings with other area churches who have participated.

Emmaus brochures are available at The Connection Point. To attend a Walk to Emmaus, a participant is sponsored. If you have completed A Walk to Emmaus or are interested in information please contact Ed or Ann Danshaw, 772-234-1046.

The Upper Room of The United Methodist Church General Board of Discipleship sponsors the Walk to Emmaus which was first established in the Roman Catholic Cursillo Movement. You can read more about Emmaus at Wikipedia – Walk to Emmaus History.

4 Connect Continued



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



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WHEN: June 25 - 29, 9am - noon

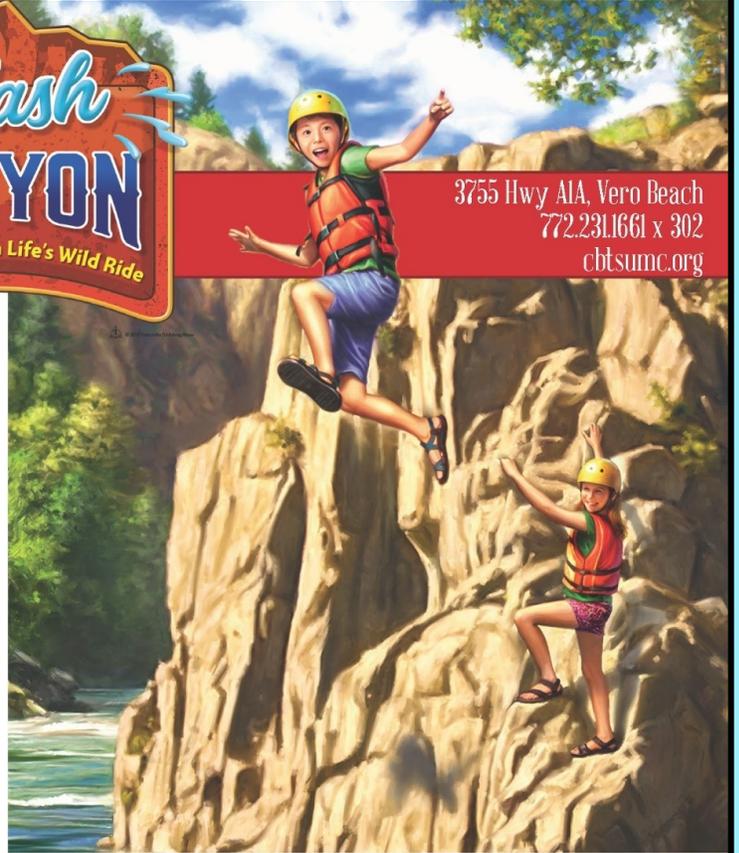
AGES: 4 - Grade 5

COST: \$10 / child, includes a T-Shirt & DVD!

REGISTER ONLINE: cbtsumc.org

REGISTER IN PERSON: Church Office

MORE INFORMATION: June Traylor
772.231.1661 x 302



Bible Stories

Crafts & Recreation

Bible Memory

Snacks

Golf Tournament



SIGN UP NOW!

FELLOWSHIP GOLF OUTING & DINNER

May 12, 2018



1:30 PM Shotgun Start

Scramble, Four Person Teams

Dinner, Awards & Prizes—6:00 PM

Open to all Church Members and Invitees

Cost: \$100 Per Player, Includes Golf & Dinner

\$30 Per Person, Dinner Only

Have fun & Share time with wonderful people at this church fundraiser! For more information, contact: Dave Althoff—772.234.6053 or sign up at: www.cbtsumc.org

Mission Trip

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CBTS spearheads a work trip to Juncos, Puerto Rico (PR) June 16-23. Located in eastern PR, Juncos is a hilly area approximately 40 miles SE of San Juan. The population was about 40,000 prior to the September 20, 2017 landfall of Hurricane Maria with its devastating consequences. You can view drone footage of the area at www.youtube.com/watch?v=vtLuxLov3XQ. As you can see the tree canopy is essentially gone so weather during the trip is expected to be quite warm.

Coordinated by Betsy Ross, Linda Minde and Pastor Cliff the group of 27 others includes persons from CBTS (Ed and Ann Danshaw, Jack Fekety, Lydia Fell, Marcos and Marcos Flores, Sharon Millington, Bill Plowden, and Al Sammartino) along with participants from Roseland UMC, Sebastian UMC, and youth from various high schools under the auspices of Youth in Action. The main mission is to help repair the elementary school associated with our host church, Primera Iglesia Bautista de Juncos or First Baptist, where Marcos' father, Dr Daniel Flores, served as Senior Pastor for many years. The school serves the greater community as well as the church family. Additionally, teams likely will be dispatched to help individual families with repairs.

To help defray costs the Team has received donations including a generous gift from CBTS' United Methodist Women. In addition a Pancake Breakfast will be held in Ratcliff Hall Sunday, May 20, 8:30am- 12:30pm. Cost is \$10/ticket and may be purchased after worship services in Ratcliff Hall.

Most important please join in prayer for the Team's safety, joy in service, bonds in Christian community, testimony to the love of Christ and completed work.



Serve

Donations Requested

Women's Refuge Re-Sale Shop

The Women's Refuge of Vero Beach, a place where hurting people can find healing for their problems, generates much needed funds from their Re-Sale Shop at 1615 10th Avenue (Collins Plaza – next to The Tambourine Shop). Now that CBTS' Trash and Treasure is done for this year do consider donations to the Re-Sale Shop. Donations of housewares, furniture, paintings, mirrors, linens and clean gently used clothing are deeply appreciated. While dropping things off – do go around – enter the store and see what treasure you might purchase! The shop is open Mondays through Friday, 10am-4pm and Saturday, 10am – 3pm.



Opportunities also exist to volunteer at the shop. Marion Czaja, CBTS' liaison with The Women's Refuge is a regular shop volunteer and reports how rewarding sorting, pricing and stocking is to her knowing the proceeds generate vital revenue to accomplish the mission of the refuge. Along with a women's residential program the Refuge offers Biblical counseling and support groups for men, women and families from the community. Private individual sessions are also available on a donation basis. Do not hesitate to contact the shop at 772-567-3598 with questions regarding donations or the Refuge Office 772-220-4424 for inquiries regarding volunteering.

Endowment & Trustees

I want to start the article by saying thank you to all who have contributed to the Endowment Fund. Without the Endowment Fund, capital projects that are currently in progress would be very difficult to fund. These projects include the repair of the flat roof of the church, adding security features to most of our entry doors and last but not least the updating of all our bathrooms which has been on the wish list of many church members. There are several ways to contribute to the Endowment Fund. My husband and I have chosen to include the Endowment Fund in our wills. We did not choose for the disbursement to be for any special project as we do not know what the needs of the church might be. We leave that decision to the committees of the church. For information on other ways you contribute to the Endowment Fund a pamphlet is available on the desk at the Narthex. I hope you will consider being a part of this fund. God bless you.

Nancy Hamilton, Endowment Committee Member



Finance



MATCH CHALLENGE SUCCESS!!

\$132,500

Providing more than 15% of our fiscal year 2018-2019 budget.

Budget planning is underway.

Faithful Stewardship in Action

3rd Quarter Fiscal Year 2017-2018

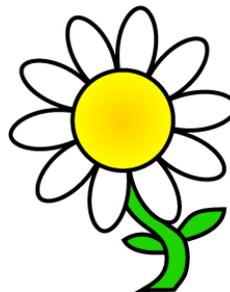
Thank you for your generous support of the operating budget and your over-and-above giving to meet and exceed the match challenge for planning next year's budget. Ministry has been accomplished these past nine months, but as the snowbirds fly north, there's more to do. Serve plans still include \$13,000 for local and international outreach, remaining denomination mission commitment is \$18,000, our mission trip to Puerto Rico, Bible studies, worship, A/V equipment, plus roof and bathroom projects, and more. . . . All before June 30th!

We've received 91% of our year-to-date income budget and spent 94% of the year-to-date expense budget. That leaves an income of 60,000 needed over these next three months.

Be sure to check your courtesy giving statement this month to confirm that your personal giving plan and budget is where you intend it to be. Our fiscal year ends June 30th 2018.

Birthdays

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| 1 - Kalea Bieber | 18 - Fernando Coll | 29 - Rosemary Gagliardi |
| 2 - Charlie Burnett | 19 - Neva Crosby | Mary Lou Nicholas |
| 5 - Terri Storms | - Cynthia Barnes | 30 - Marian Farabee |
| 6 - Sally Haeffner | 20 - Ryan Sandgren | 31 - Emily Prospere |
| 7 - Mary Gustave | 22 - Irene Bates Dunjohn | |
| 11 - Myric Laite | 23 - Stephen Barth | |
| 13 - Jim Brumbaugh | Janet Zeigler | |
| 14 - D Jean Tisdall | 25 - Frank Marden | |
| 15 - June Traylor | Betty Alewine | |
| Elaine Moore | 26 - Ronald Moreland | |
| 16 - Craig Bassue | Nila Moylan | |
| 17 - Jean Wainwright | 27 - Babs Irwin | |
| Dwight Holmes | 28 - Barb Urban | |



- 5/03 Andy and Jean Wainwright
 5/07 Darryl and Brenda Daniels
 5/07 Linston and Charmaine Hensley
 5/09 Terry and Suzy Hopper
 5/19 Fernando and Alejandra Coll
 5/20 Jeff and Babs Irwin
 5/21 Charles and Janet Troutman
 5/24 Ray and Adriana Lancaster
 5/24 Stephen and Kathy Barth

Anniversaries



A MESSAGE FROM THE UMW PRESIDENT

Life does fly by. Here we are in May and things are beginning to slow down for summer. The snowbirds are flying north, and the UMW's last meeting before the summer hiatus is May 2. Our covered dish luncheon will feature our own Debbie Chastain, speaking about "Choices for Senior Living." Of course we young gals can't relate to that. Can we? In closing we gave a gift of \$2,300 to our wonderful Mission Team going to Puerto Rico. We wish them God's blessings as they do His work, and may they all return safely to us at CBTS.

Have Blessed and safe summer.

Toby Ann Mann



MAY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<p>1 4pm—Serve Mtg. 6pm—SPRC Mtg.</p>	<p>2 10:30am-Staff Mtg. 11:45 am—UMW Unit Mtg. 4pm—Safety Mtg. 5:30pm—Dinner 6:15pm—Christian Enrichment</p>	<p>3 9:30am—Women’s Bible Study 1pm—Craft Group 1pm—Support for Caregivers 1pm—The Club 4pm—Social Justice Mtg. 5:30pm—AA Mtg.</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 10am—2pm—American University of Women Luncheon</p>
<p>6 9am -Sunday School 10am -Worship Service</p>	<p>7 10am—Al-Anon Noon—AA Mtg. 4pm—Emmaus Mtg. 8pm—AA Mtg.</p>	<p>8 10am—Grief Support Mtg. 2pm—VBS Staff Mtg. 4pm—Trustee Mtg.</p>	<p>9 10:30am-Staff Mtg. 5:30pm—Dinner 6:15pm—Christian Enrichment</p>	<p>10 9:30am—Women’s Bible Study 1pm—Craft Group 1pm—Sacred Circle 1pm—The Club 5:30pm—AA Mtg.</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12 8am—Band of Brothers 1:30pm—Golf Tournament</p>
<p>13 Mother’s Day 9am -Sunday School 10am -Worship Service</p> 	<p>14 10am—Al-Anon Noon—AA Mtg. 4pm—Emmaus Mtg. 8pm—AA Mtg.</p>	<p>15 4pm—Finance Mtg.</p>	<p>16 10:30am-Staff Mtg. 10:30am- UMW Board Mtg. 5:30pm—Cover Dish Dinner 6:15pm—Christian Enrichment</p>	<p>17 9:30am—Women’s Bible Study 11:45am— OWLS 1pm—Craft Group 1pm—Support for Caregivers 1pm—The Club 5:30pm—AA Mtg. 6pm—PR Mission Trip Mtg.</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>
<p>20 9am -Sunday School 10am -Worship Service</p> <p>Becoming Committed</p> <p>Graduation Recognition</p> <p>PR Mission Trip Pancake Breakfast</p>	<p>21 10am—Al-Anon Noon—AA Mtg. 4pm—Emmaus Mtg. 8pm—AA Mtg.</p>	<p>22 4pm—Church Council 6pm—SPRC Mtg.</p>	<p>23 10:30am-Staff Mtg.</p>	<p>24 9:30am—Women’s Bible Study 1pm—Craft Group 1pm—The Club 3pm—Scholarship Mtg. 5:30pm—AA Mtg.</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>
<p>27 9am -Sunday School 10am -Worship Service</p>	<p>28 Memorial Day Office is Closed</p> 	<p>29 9:30am—Spiritual Growth Meeting</p>	<p>30 10:30am-Staff Mtg.</p>	<p>31 9:30am—Women’s Bible Study 1pm—Craft Group 1pm—The Club 5:30pm—AA Mtg.</p>		