

ATTENDANCE FOR DECEMBER 9, 2018

First Service-68 | Second Service-294

CHURCH FINANCIALS

January-November 2018: Actual income- \$222,990.26 | Actual expenses- \$254,406.76.

Online Giving: is available on the church website's homepage.

Monthly Communion Offering: Every first Sunday of the month, the church collects for a special mission. Our January Mission is a Food Drive designated for "CROS' Community Caring Kitchen." On January 6, please bring a non-perishable food item and leave it on the marked table in the Narthex.

AV System Fundraiser: Our AV Upgrade Project collection continues! To date, we have received \$16,737.01 out of the total \$32,000 needed. Should you choose to donate, please note "Audio/Visual System Upgrade" on your offering envelope.

Stewardship Sunday: Pledge amount to date is \$133,542.00 . Pledge cards will continue to be collected through January.

Hurricane Michael Matching Gift: If you would like to participate in First UMC of Ormond Beach's matching gift up to \$500,000, please indicate "Hurricane Michael" on your check. This ends December 31.

OUR SUNDAY SERVICE VOLUNTEERS

SCREENS:	8:30 a.m. Melanie Bynum	11:00 a.m. Sandy Schwinge
SOUND:	8:30 a.m. Ralph Hayden/Gary Robeson	11:00 a.m. Matt Schwinge
USHERS:	8:30 a.m. Bud Deyoe, Rudy Neuendorf, Robert Harris	
	11:00 a.m. Charles D'Augustine, Carol McCord, Roger McCord	
We need ushers for the 2nd service; please see Roger McCord to help.		

OUR STAFF

MINISTERS – EVERY MEMBER OF OUR CONGREGATION			
SENIOR MINISTER	Dr. Matt White	561-526-3869	SeniorPastor@gofaithunited.org
MINISTER	Rev. Parker Bennett	954-651-2636	Pastor@gofaithunited.org
Music Director/Organist	Tom Bates	678-386-9102	Tombates14@gmail.com
Treasurer	Norma Ashley	561-732-3435	fumcfinancial@yahoo.com
Church Secretary	Brenda Wood	561-732-3435	firstumcbb@bellsouth.net
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WELCOME TO FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

BOYNTON BEACH

DECEMBER 16, 2018



First United Methodist Church

Boynton Beach, FL

“Sing Joy to All the World”

Christmas Cantata

Senior Minister – Dr. Matt White

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PAIRS & SPARES: meets Sundays at 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall and all are welcome.

We are currently using video lessons to learn more about the “History of Christianity.”

JOY CLASS: meets every Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in the Parlor for an adult Bible Study.

Everyone is welcome to attend. Contact Janet Fetty with questions.

RUTH CIRCLE: Everyone is invited to attend our next meeting on January 8 at 10 a.m. in the Agape Room, when we will be planning our future meetings. Also, the Ruth Circle members thank everyone for all the toiletry donations; we were able to create 90+ hygiene bags at our December meeting! Contact Joan Alt with any questions. 561-752-7989.

SARAH CIRCLE: There will not be a meeting in December, but we otherwise meet every third Wednesday of the month, and in January, will begin meeting at our NEW TIME of 7:15 p.m. All women are invited to attend this Bible study filled with food, fellowship and fun. Contact Janie Alpert, Sally Smith or the church office for more information.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: meets every Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the parlor.

LUNCH BUNCH: If you would like to have lunch at a local restaurant, please meet at the front of the Sanctuary after the second service.

18-2-LIFE: All 18-28 year olds are invited to have pizza with Pastor Wayne Masiker (561-364-5840) Wednesdays from 8:30-9:30 p.m. at Arrabiatas (8260 Jog Rd., Boynton Beach).

WEDNESDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Wednesdays at 6 p.m. at Faith.

Current study: “The Purpose of Christmas.” Contact Teressa White at tess142@juno.com.

ONGOING THINGS TO REMEMBER

POP TABS: Help support Ronald McDonald House by bringing your pop tabs. Collection containers are in the Narthex and the share table located in the preschool hallway.

“THE BEACON” NEWSLETTER: Copies are available in the office and Narthex.

Call the office to be added to our mailing list.

MEDICAL APPLIANCES: You are welcome to borrow from the varied equipment we have in inventory, located in the Acolyte Room.

ELEMENTARY CONNECTION: Readers for Galaxy Elementary School are still needed, as are uniforms, socks and underwear in children’s size 4 and up. Please contact Pastor Parker (954-651-2636) for more information.

BLESSINGS & BARGAINS: Open Tue.-Sat., from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Buttonwood Plaza (3032 S. Jog Rd., Greenacres). Donations may be dropped off at the store or church office. The store number is 561-296-9935.

COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN COUNSELING CENTER: 561.622.5423 ext. 1 or email: info@cccpcb.org. Licensed Counselors and a Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner on staff. www.cccpcb.org

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE GOD

There is always a place in ministry for everyone!

Contact the office for more information about the following, available positions: Ushers, Sound and Screens Technicians, Bible Study Leader, Worship Team Leader, Sunday Morning Driver, Sunday School Teacher (one Sunday per month), Preschool Helper, and/or Medical Appliance Coordinator.

***DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

INVITATION TO PRAYER

“God of Mercy, at this time of jolly songs and festive parties, we prefer not to hear Your call to repent, yet You remind us that without it, we risk missing the whole point of Christ’s coming. Let us praise You for Your generous gift. Amen.”

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER (words appear on screen)

CHRISTMAS CANTATA

Sing Joy to All the World!

Music by Lloyd Larson
Orchestration by Ed Hogan
Narration by Kylee Larson

Narrator–Sarah Bollenbacher
Collaborative Artist–Norma Ashley

Tidings of Comfort and Joy!

A Light Shall Shine
Prepare the Way!
David’s Royal City
Glory in the Highest!
Joy of Every Longing Heart
Worship Christ, the Newborn King
Sing Joy to All the World!

Stradivarius Chamber Ensemble

Violin 1–Bonnie Brown
Violin 2–Liuba Ohrimenco
Viola–Laura Sinclair
Cello–Tawny Mayo
Bass–Ranses Colon
Flute/Piccolo–Karrie Griffiths
Oboe–Erika Yamada
Clarinet–Stojo Miserlioski
Bassoon–Michael Di Gregorio
Pianist–Norma Ashley



BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

EXITING CHARGE: “You Are Now Entering the Mission Field”

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS: available from ushers.

Please silence all cell phones in the sanctuary, thank you!

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PRAYER LIST

To add someone's name to the list, or provide an update, call the office or complete a prayer request card located in the pew racks, and leave it in the collection plate during Offertory. Let us pray for: Kristy, Cliff Bade, Scott Burns, Tammy Cady, Don Coker, Cook Family, Thom Gable, Sandie Hardy, Tara Herdegen, Clover & Jeff Miller, Bob Nickerson, Bonnie Pawlowski, Debbie Peterson, Policemen/First Responders, John Rogers, Zack Shalvey, Bert & Pam Shaw, Carol Smithwick, Shiely Voltz, Curtis Weaver, Marie Williams, and the family & friends of Law Clark, Rip Manning, and Marlana of the Federico, Baker & Sweet Families.

**CHRISTMAS EVE
CANDLELIGHT SERVICE
Monday, December 24, 2018**



At First UMC:
6:30 p.m. Stradivarius Chamber Ensemble
7:00 p.m. Candlelight Service

At Faith UMC:
4:30 p.m. Pre-service Music
5:00 p.m. Candlelight Service

WELCOME TO ALL OUR GUESTS!

We are delighted and thankful to have you join us today. Restrooms are in the Narthex, and our Ushers are here to help answer any questions you may have! God bless!

OUR PURPOSE STATEMENT

TO MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORLD.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Today's altar flowers are dedicated to the glory of God, by Maria Frocke, in celebration of the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ, December 25, and her granddaughter, Emily Frocke's birthday, December 21.

****Both bouquets ARE available to be taken to a shut-in or someone in need of cheer.****

To honor or remember a loved one, print your name on the Flower Calendar (in the Narthex) beside your chosen date; then complete an Altar Flower Order Form and return it to the church office by placing it, with payment of \$50.00, in the offering plate.

FINE ARTS SERIES

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES: December 24, there will be a Pre-service Concert presented by the Stradivarius Chamber Ensemble at 6:30 p.m., followed immediately by our Candlelight Service at 7 p.m. A Candlelight Service will be held at Faith UMC at 5 p.m., preceded by special music at 4:30 p.m.

SOUTH FLORIDA FLUTE ORCHESTRA: January 13, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHRISTMAS CAROLING: Dec. 19 at 6 p.m. Let us share the Spirit of Christmas with the residents of Barrington Terrace (1425 S Congress Ave, Boynton Beach, FL 33426).

WATCH SERVICE AND NEW YEAR CELEBRATION: on Monday, December 31 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. in Faith's' FLC. Bring a finger food to share and join us for fellowship and to see the ball drop. Feel free to stay the entire time, or just a small portion.

CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE: Sunday, December 30, you're invited to visit with Pastor Parker and Ann at the parsonage. You can drop in at either 9:30-10:30 a.m. or from 12:00-2:00 p.m. Please let Ann or Pastor Parker know if you would like to provide a sweet or savory treat to share. See the flyer in the Narthex for more information.

CHURCH DIRECTORY: Sign up for your portrait session for our church directory. You will receive a free 8X10 and church directory. Pets are welcome in the photos. Dates are January 30, and February 1 & 2. Pictures will be taken in the Fellowship Hall. Sign up using the sign-up sheet in the Narthex, or schedule through the church office.

MINISTRY CONNECTION GROUPS

CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSALS: Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. in the Choir Room. Contact Tom Bates for more information.

HANDBELL REHEARSAL: Will resume on January 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the handbell room. Still searching for a few new ringers (reading music helps but is not necessary). See Tom for more info.

YOUNG AT HEART: For information, contact Pastor Parker (954-651-2636).