

ATTENDANCE FOR FEBRUARY 23, 2020

First Service-116 | Second Service-114

CHURCH FINANCIALS

January 2020: Actual income- \$26,766.57 | Actual expenses- \$20,776.89

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

Monthly Communion Offering: Every month, the church collects for a special mission. Our March Mission is designated for our "Scholarship Fund." If you would like to donate to this fund, please use one of the pew envelopes marked *Communion*.

Air Conditioning Replacement: Our next big church project is to replace some of the A/C units, and we are asking for your help in raising the funds for the \$25,000 cost. Should you choose to donate, please note "Air Condition" on your offering envelope.

OUR SUNDAY SERVICE VOLUNTEERS

	8:30 A.M.	11:00 A.M.
SCREENS:	Melanie Bynum	Jayne McManus
SOUND:	Ralph Hayden/Gary Robeson	Daniel Myers
USHERS:	Bud Deyoe, Robert Harris, Roger McCord, Rudy Neuendorf	Jack Bevan, Leslie Lecina, Fran McManus, Rich Steiner

If you would like to serve as one of our ushers, please see Roger McCord.

MINISTERS – EVERY MEMBER OF OUR CONGREGATION

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**WELCOME TO
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
BOYNTON BEACH
MARCH 1, 2020**



First United Methodist Church

Boynton Beach, FL

“Lighting the Way”

John 8:10-11

Senior Minister – Dr. Matt White

Minister – Rev. Parker Bennett

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**MORNING WORSHIP
FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**

MARCH 1, 2020 8:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS **Rev. Parker Bennett**
***PASSING THE PEACE** **Congregation**

PRELUDE
 “My Faith Looks Up to Thee” **Hal H. Hopson**

LIGHTING OF ALTAR CANDLES

CHORAL INTROIT
 “I Will Come and Bow Down” **Martin Nystrom**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**
 Leader: Gather us in, the brokenhearted and the joyful.
 Congregation: *Gather us in, the weak and the strong.*
 Leader: Gather us in, the young and the old.
 Congregation: *Gather us in, to sing of God’s works.*
 Leader: Gather us in, to praise Jesus Christ.
 ALL: *Gather us in, to know of God’s Love.*

***HYMN OF PRAISE**
 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” **p. 140**

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**
 “The Apostles’ Creed” **p. 881**

***GLORIA PATRI**

ANTHEM
 “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” **Gilbert M. Martin**

INVITATION TO OFFERING
 “Happy are those who know the Lord. Our tithes and gifts are one way we seek to support the effort to bring others into the company of God and have the chance to know the joy and transformation we ourselves experience in God's presence. Amen.”

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS **Ushers**

OFFERTORY
 “Down to the River to Pray” **Sheldon Curry**

***DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***HYMN OF PREPARATION**
 “Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed” **p. 294**

ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, March 1	8:30 a.m.: Worship Service (Sanctuary) 9:30 a.m.: Confirmation Class (Faith) 9:45 a.m.: Pairs & Spares Sunday School Class (Fellowship Hall) 9:45 a.m.: JOY Sunday School Class (Parlor) 11:00 a.m.: Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Monday, March 2	6:00 p.m.: AA Meeting-Beginners (Agape Room) 6:30 p.m.: Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal (Bell Room) 7:00 p.m.: AA Meeting-Open (Agape Room) 8:30 p.m.: AA Meeting-Closed (Agape Room)
Tuesday, March 3	Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.: AA Meeting-Women’s Closed (Agape Room)
Wednesday, March 4	10:30 a.m.: French Al-Anon (Agape Room) 11:00 a.m.: Wednesday Bible Study (Parlor) 6:00 p.m.: Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room) 6:00 p.m.: Wednesday Family Night Ministries (Faith) 6:00 p.m.: Blindsided Bereavement Group (Faith’s Conf. Rm.) 7:00 p.m.: AA Meeting (Agape Room) 8:30 p.m.: AA Meeting (Agape Room) 8:30 p.m.: 18-2-Life (Cici’s Pizza– 3024 Jog Rd., Greenacres)
Thursday, March 5	9:00 a.m.: Ladies’ Bible Study (Faith’s Conference Room)
Friday, March 6	Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.: Oodles of Noodles Spaghetti Dinner (Fellowship Hall)
Saturday, March 7	1:00 p.m.: Meal and a Message (Faith’s FLC)

SAVE THE DATE

March 8: Daylight Savings begins 2:00 a.m. (Spring forward one hour)
 Trustee Meeting at 9:45 a.m. (Historical Room)
 Jason Ibalarrrosa Piano Concert at 3:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)

March 9: LIFT Meeting at 7:00 p.m. (Faith’s Café)

March 10: Ruth Circle at 10:00 a.m. (Agape Room)

March 14: Men’s Breakfast at 8:30 a.m. (Faith’s FLC)

March 15: Church Picnic and Easter Egg Hunt at 12:30 p.m. (Intracoastal Park)

March 22: Leadership Council Meeting at 12:00 p.m. (Fellowship Hall)

April 5: Cantata “What Love Is This?” at both services (Sanctuary)

April 12: Easter Sunday

RUTH CIRCLE: Mar. 10 at 10 a.m. in the Agape Room. We invite everyone to attend and hear Pastor Wayne Masiker's devotional. Also, our collection for the following supplies continues and items can be dropped off in the Narthex: travel-sized soap, shampoo and lotion; full-sized deodorant, toothbrush & toothpaste, and disposable razors. Contact Joan Alt with any questions. 561-732-7989.

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 Cici's Pizza (3024 Jog Rd., Greenacres).

WEDNESDAY NIGHT WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: meets from 6-7:30 p.m. in Faith's Admin Building. The study uses Max Lucado's participant guide "Grace: More Than We Deserve, Greater Than We Imagine" available at any major online book retailer. Contact Teresa White at teressaannwhite@gmail.com with questions.

LADIES' BIBLE STUDY: This video Bible study uses "Armor of God" by Priscilla Shirer, and meets Thursdays from 9:00-10:30 a.m. in Faith's Conference Room. Talk to Kay Billington (440-796-7587) about purchasing a Study book.

A MEAL AND A MESSAGE: March 7 at 1 p.m. in Faith's FLC. Contact Pastor Wayne (561-364-5840) to see how you can be part of this outreach ministry that focuses on "bringing church to the unchurched."

"BLINDSIDED" GRIEF AND BEREAVEMENT GROUP: Wednesdays from 6-7:30 p.m. in Faith's conference room. Led by therapist Anthony Intagliata PSYD, CTTS, CPLC. For information call Anthony at 561-926-9031 or email traumaispersonal@gmail.com.

ONGOING THINGS TO REMEMBER

ARE YOU INTERESTED? in becoming a new member or being baptized? If yes, call the church office (561-732-3435) or see one of the pastors.

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: Available to borrow and located above the Agape Room. At this time, we are not accepting donations of any more equipment.

ELEMENTARY CONNECTION: Volunteers 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

INVITATION TO PRAYER

"Lord, receive the prayers of Your people, most merciful God. In Your compassion, forgive our sins and free us for lives of joyful obedience through Jesus Christ our Lord. In Your name we pray, Amen."

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (words appear on screen)

SERMON Rev. Parker Bennett

"Lighting the Way" (John 8:10-11)

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE Rev. Parker Bennett

"Prayer of Confession and Pardon" p. 12

"The Great Thanksgiving" p. 13-14

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

We invite you to come to this table set for you. Please follow the ushers' direction.

***HYMN OF DEDICATION**

"Freely, Freely" p. 389

BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

"Jesus Loves Me" p. 191 (vs. 3)

POSTLUDE

"A Trumpet Tune" Gene Clarke

EXITING CHARGE: "You Are Now Entering the Mission Field"

**Please stand, if you are able.*

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: Cindy Bayless, Andrea Burch & family, Sharon Calvo, Bonnie Coopridger, Corkie Corkran, Jim Cronin, Charles D'Augustine, Reba Friedland, Mary Ellen Harrington, Tara Herdegen, Ronald McPherson, Carol Miller's Brother, Ann Morgan-Cronin, Jackie Oaks, Debbie Peterson, Policemen/First Responders, Dr. William Quirk, Ron Smith, Ronald Smith, Gerard Valdivia, Curtis Weaver, and Christine Zukowski.

Welcome to First United Methodist Church

Sermon Notes - March 1, 2020

Gospel of John Series: "Lighting The Way"

John 8:10-11 (NLT)

¹⁰ Then Jesus stood up again and said to the woman, "Where are your accusers? Didn't even one of them condemn you?" ¹¹ "No, Lord," she said. And Jesus said, "Neither do I. Go and sin no more."

John 8:12 (NLT)

¹² Jesus spoke to the people once more and said, "I am the light of the world. If you follow me, you won't have to walk in darkness, because you will have the light that leads to life."

John 8:31-32 (NLT) ³¹ Jesus said to the people who believed in him, "You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. ³² And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

Life Application:

- 1) How have you experienced God's forgiveness?
- 2) In what ways can Jesus' light shine in your daily life this week?
- 3) Does your lifestyle reflect confidence in God's freeing forgiveness? Why? Why not?

Prayer:

Gracious God, we are free indeed in You. Thank you for that freedom. Forgive me Lord, when I take this freedom You have given me for granted. Help me to abide in You and live a life that reflects the forgiveness I have received. May all that I say and do bring glory to You. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

WELCOME TO ALL OUR GUESTS!

We are delighted and thankful to have you join us today, and our ushers are here to help answer any questions you may have.

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 Ron & Sally Smith, in honor of their Grandson, Colin Smith and Ron's Father, William Clyde Smith's birthdays.

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 \$60.00, in the offering plate.

FINE ARTS SERIES

JASON IBALARROSA CONCERT: Join us March 8 at 3:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary for this performance that will include other students from A.W. Dreyfoos School of the Art.

EASTER CANTATA: Join us for our annual cantata that helps to prepare our hearts for Easter Sunday. At both services, our Chancel Choir will perform "What Love Is This?" by Lloyd Larson, which is sure to be spiritually uplifting.

EASTER SUNDAY: April 12 we will gather to celebrate the hope Jesus gave in His sacrifice and resurrection. You may attend the Sunrise Service at 6:30 a.m. held at Oceanfront Park (6415 N Ocean Blvd, Boynton Beach, FL 33435), or one of the regular services held at 8:30 or 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

UPCOMING EVENTS

ANNUAL OODLES OF NOODLES SPAGHETTI DINNER will be on March 6 at 6 p.m. Everyone from the church is invited to attend this fun event! Call the office or preschool to purchase tickets. (\$8/adult | \$5/child)

MINISTRY CONNECTION GROUPS

YOUNG AT HEART: This ministry group for those aged 55+ meets monthly. Please join us on February 23 as we attend the Fine Arts Series concert at 3:00 p.m. Contact Pastor Parker (954-651-2636) for more information.

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

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.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: 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.