

GROW

Learning through groups & classes

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT STUDY GROUPS

Nursery & children’s programming available.

9:30am Searchers: Large group in the Social Hall

9:20am Friends ‘n Fellowship Bible Study: Upper Room. Starting 9/15 new study: John: Gospel of Light & Life.

11am Boomers Bible Study: Upper Room

TUESDAY WOMEN’S STUDY GROUP:

King’s Daughters resumes September 10, 9am in the Social Hall. They will be starting a new 4-week study, “Naomi.”

WEDNESDAY MEN’S STUDY GROUPS:

Men’s Bible Study, meets at 6:30am at the Clermont Fairfield Inn.

Men’s I-Stand Bible Study, 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 6:30pm in the Asbury House. **September 25 is first week back after summer break.**

THE UPPER ROOM BOOK CLUB meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month from 3:30-5pm in the Upper Room; all are welcome. In September, we will be diving into “Leaving Microsoft to Change the World” by John Wood. We hope you will join us.

NEW BIBLE STUDY “The Glory Fire Falls” by Dick Reuben. This teaching series is not just another history lesson in theology, but practical applications that can be applied to our daily walk and spiritual growth in the Lord. Join us starting Friday, September 6, as we dive into this 7-week study, 9-11am in the Upper Room.

DISCIPLE 4 BIBLE STUDY MOVED TO OCTOBER

Fridays, beginning October 25, 9:30-11:30am in the Upper Room. *Under the Tree of Life* is an in-depth study of the writings in the Old and New Testament books of John, James, Jude, and Revelation. Each session offers study, instruction, discussion and prayer to lead us deeper in our relationship with God. The course includes 32 2-hour sessions. Sign up at the church office. Book cost is \$35.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY This Dave Ramsey course will give you the knowledge you need to get on a stronger financial path. This 9-week class will help you pay off your debt, build an emergency fund, learn how to budget, invest for the future and much more. It runs Sundays beginning September 15, 5-6:30pm, in the Agape House. Childcare is available, email: cmchildcare@FUMC-Clermont.org to reserve a spot.

NEW MEMBER CLASS Join us Sunday, September 29, 5-7pm in the Upper Room for a single-session New Member class. This is your chance to learn more about our church and what it means to be a member.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY is celebrating 7 years here at FUMC. We will have guest speakers from a ministry called “Loving Hands” sharing their powerful stories on September 12, 7pm in the Sanctuary. We hope you will come join us.

MISSIONS & OUTREACH

Reaching out to help others in need

MISSIONS TEAM: The Missions Team will be meeting on Monday, September 9, 7pm in the Upper Room. If you would like to be involved in missions, we hope you will join us. Contact Bunny Wilson or Pastor Deryck Sonaram at missions@FUMC-Clermont.org for more information.

AMERICAN INDIAN CHRISTIAN CIRCLE: Meets the third Sunday of every month in the Social Hall with a potluck supper at 4pm (bring a dish to share) and 5:30pm services.

DONATIONS NEEDED: Cancelled stamps and eyeglasses. These go to help veterans and those who can’t afford glasses. Please leave 1/4” around the stamp. Drop off items at the Narthex welcome desk or church office.

CARING

We care for each other

“I’M NOT AN ADDICT. WHY SHOULD I ATTEND CELEBRATE RECOVERY?” Celebrate Recovery is for any kind of struggle in our lives. Less than 1/3 of the people who attend Celebrate Recovery struggle with substance abuse-the rest come for anger, marriage struggles, adult children on drugs, overeating, stress, depression, anxiety, abuse, grief or loss, trauma from military, you name it! Many of us come because someone in our family is struggling. If a family member is struggling, it is affecting the whole family-and we need support too! Everyone needs recovery! Join us every Thursday at 7pm in Sanctuary. Youth 6-12th grade come join us for the Landing. Childcare is provided nursery to 5th grade. You can contact Tommy Moore at celebraterecovery@FUMC-Clermont.org for more information. **We now have dinner before large group! Simple Dinners are \$5 donation per person in the Social Hall anytime from 5:30-6:45pm.**

WECARE TEAM: Are you or a loved one going into the hospital? Do you have a prayer request, or know anyone homebound who would like a visit from a pastor? Do you know anyone who is unable to drive to church services on Sunday? We care about you! Please let us know about your caring needs by calling the “WeCare Team!” at 352-394-2412, ext. 216 or email: WeCare@FUMC-Clermont.org.

YOUNG WOMEN’S CANCER SUPPORT meets the second Monday of each month at 7pm in the Agape House.

DID YOU KNOW

General FUMC Information

PICK UP YOUR YES! BAG: If you have given your life to Christ today, please pick up a YES! Bag from the Welcome Desk. It contains materials to help you get started on your journey with Christ and we want to walk alongside of you.

IS THIS YOUR FIRST TIME VISITING US TODAY? Please stop by the Welcome Desk and pick up a Welcome Bag. It contains a lot of information on our Church.

ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES are available for services held in the Sanctuary. Units are located at the Welcome Center desk; please sign out and return when finished.

FUMC CLERMONT broadcasts live from the Wesley Center on Sundays at the 9:30 and 11:11am services on YouTube. Please be aware there is a possibility that you could be photographed, filmed and/or otherwise recorded during live streaming. If you do not wish to be filmed, please ask an usher about alternative seating.

SCENT FREE ZONES! We now have reserved seating for those with chemical sensitivities. Please look for the signs designating those areas in the Sanctuary and Wesley Center. Please be kind and mindful to avoid those areas if you have used **ANY TYPE OF SCENTED PRODUCT.**

LOST AND FOUND: There are “lost & found” areas behind the welcome desks in both the Sanctuary and Wesley Center. If you are looking for a lost item, it may be there.

WESLEY CENTER LOBBY AND MOMMY ROOM TVs now stream the Sunday services at 9:30 and 11:11am. Our Mommy/ Quiet Room is a more private setting for mothers that may need to nurse or tend to their baby. So whether you are using the Mommy Room or have to step into the lobby you won’t miss the service.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES: Are posted on our website as we have openings www.fumc-clermont.org under the “New Here” tab. We currently have several openings.

WESLEY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY: is now enrolling for elementary. Call the school office 352-394-0191 for more information.

SERVE

Giving of your time and talents

LAY LEADERSHIP Are you interested in serving on FUMC’s Lay Leadership, Finance Committee, Staff Parish Relations Committee or the Board of Trustees? To be considered, complete the Nomination Interest Form and return it to the office or email s.morris@fumc-clermont.org by September 29. Forms are available on the website or at the welcome desks.

2019 CHURCH CLUSTER CHARGE CONFERENCE: Will be held this year at First UMC, Winter Garden 125 N. Lakeview Ave., Winter Garden, FL 34787 at 6PM on Sunday, October 20th. It is open to all who would like to come.

WECARE SERVING OPPORTUNITIES: WeCare has two different serving opportunities and we hope you will be nudged to serve. The **Visitation Team** carries the Love of God and His People to those who are hospitalized, in nursing homes, rehab facilities and at home. The visits are made at least monthly, but sometimes more depending on the need. We provide training and all the supplies you need. For more information on the Visitation Team, contact Rev. David Paul, 352-638-5273. The **Communion Team’s** primary purpose has been to bring worship of our Lord to those unable to attend church. Music and the devotion are the essential needs to make our services meaningful. We have recently been asked to provide services for Superior’s Assisted-Living Residents. If you would like more information about the Communion Team and what they do, contact Clif Brown, 631-835-5343.

TECH TEAM Do you ever wonder what it’s like behind the scenes? Wonder what makes FUMC very successful in the audio and visual department? Wish you could be a part of that success? Well then we want you on our team. Contact Fritz Amrhein at avtechdirector@FUMC-Clermont.org for more information. Looking forward to meeting you.

WEEKDAY WORK WARRIORS TEAM: Do you have a few hours to serve at the church during the week? Like yard work? Painting? We need you! If you are interested in volunteering or getting more information email facilities@FUMC-Clermont.org.

SAFETY AND SECURITY MINISTRY: We have a safety and security ministry team and are looking for volunteers. If you have safety and security in your background or just have an interest, contact Larry Mathias for more information, safetyandsecurity@FUMC-Clermont.org.

SALTY SERVANTS: Remember to mark the attendance pad that you volunteered this week!

FOOD SERVICE MINISTRIES

Caring through sharing and hospitality

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP DINNER: Every week from 5-6:30pm in the Wesley Center. Join in fellowship for just \$8 for adults and \$4 for children, ages 5-9. Check out the website under “Wednesday Night Dinner” for the menu each week.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are looking for drivers for Meals on Wheels. We also need a volunteer to pick-up bread on Sunday mornings at the Publix on US Hwy 27 South. If you are interested, or would like more information, please contact Dallis Wehr at foodservices@FUMC-Clermont.org or by calling the church office.

MEALS ON WHEELS/FOOD FOR FRIENDS: Our Food Services Ministry provides hot, nutritious meals to those in need. We are on a mission to enhance the quality of independent living by providing affordable, home-delivered meals, through a church-supported effort and caring volunteers. If you or someone you know is in need of a meal delivery service, regardless of age (such as someone homebound, widow/widower that can’t prepare a meal, or someone recuperating from a medical condition), please email Dallis Wehr at foodservices@FUMC-Clermont.org or call 352-243-4016 for more information. Check out the **Wesley Center’s** website! fumcwesleycenter.com

CONNECT

Building relationships

UMW CIRCLES are BACK! Daughters of Lydia meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 7pm in the Social Hall. Lunch Bunch meets the second Wednesday at 11:30am in the Upper Room. Morning Joy meets on the third Wednesday at 9:30am in the Agape House. Young Women of God meets on the third Sunday at 5pm in the Upper Room (childcare is provided for this circle). Circle of Grace meets on the third Tuesday at 1pm in the Upper Room. All women are invited to visit all the circles to find the one that best fits them. If you have questions about the circles, contact Jan Becherer at pjpbjbecherer@yahoo.com or 352-989-5306.

UMW ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR is on Saturday, November 2, 8:30am in the Social Hall. Any type of art or hand-crafted item is needed for the “Made with Love Shoppe.” Gently used purses and jewelry are perfect for the “Unique Boutique.” Items may be labeled and left in the church office or put in the red bins located near the welcome desks. Volunteers are needed. Contact Betty Johnson at 352-432-9050 to volunteer or with donation questions.

PEOPLE OF FAITH is a gathering of local churches for men and women, that will take place on Wednesday, September 25, 10am in the Social Hall. This year’s speaker will be Charlene Constanzo, an author and empowering speaker, whose topic will be “Do What Makes You Strong.” UMW will be hosting this event and providing a light lunch. Please put this on your calendar now for a memorable morning. Call Carolyn Blankenship at 321-278-3234 for additional information.

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) Meetings are held monthly on the 2nd and 4th Mondays from 9:30-11:30am in the Wesley Center. For more information please email mops@FUMC-Clermont.org. Childcare is provided.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY: If you can knit or crochet, come join us as we make and pray over shawls and baby blankets to give to those who need hope. Please join us the first Monday of each month in the Upper Room, 1-3pm. Mark your calendar! We will not meet in September due to Labor Day.

SCRIPTURE FIT EXERCISE RESUMES SEPTEMBER 24 It involves moderate intensity aerobic movement to contemporary Christian music. We will meet Tuesdays at 5pm in the choir room. Questions call Linda Hmieleski 863-557-9943 or Josie Teter 469-744-7157.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT LIFE GROUP Are you a caregiver for a family member? Would you like to connect with others who are caregivers? We are looking to see who might be interested in creating and/ or being part of a Caregiver Life Group. If you are interested, let us know by contacting Sherry at wecare@FUMC-Clermont.org or call 352-394-2412 Ext. 216.

MERRY WIDOWS is a group of ladies who meet for lunch after the 11am Traditional service. If you would like to join them, they meet in the Narthex following the service to decide on a restaurant. Look for Judy Stambaugh or Carol Warren to find out where to join them.

MEN’S BREAKFAST SAVE THE DATE Mark your calendar for September 21, 8am in the Wesley Center!

DAYS FOR GIRLS CLERMONT team training/work session will be on Thursday, September 26, 9am-12pm in the Social Hall. All sewers and non-sewers wanted. Bring normal sewing needs (scissors etc.). Karen Dwyer is starting a daysforgirls.org team in Clermont. For more information on Days for Girls and what their mission is, check out their website: daysforgirls.org. Contact Karen Dwyer with any questions at clermontfl@daysforgirls.org.

METS SEPTEMBER TRIP METS will be doing a 3-hour lunch cruise on the St. Johns river aboard the Barbara Lee on Saturday, September 28. The cost is \$46.78 per person. **Everyone going will need to make their own reservation in advance by calling 321-441-3030.** We’ll leave the church at 9am and return approximately 3:30pm. The trip is open to all, but the bus only holds 14, so if there are more than that they will need to drive separately or carpool with others. If you ride the bus there is a \$5 transportation fee. To reserve a spot on the bus call the church office.

CARING



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There is **HOPE!** We can **HELP!**
Come learn how to let God transform your life.

EVERY THURSDAY in the sanctuary at 7pm.
FREE Childcare provided: Birth - 5th Grade

STUDENT MINISTRIES



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Student Ministry Phone: 352-394-2412, Ext. 220



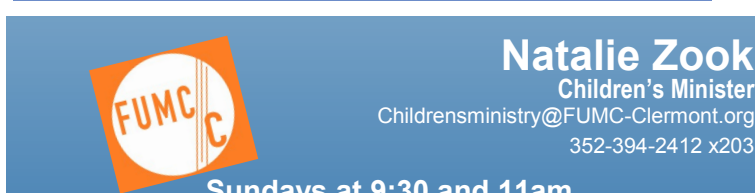
**FALL & WINTER
CALENDAR**

AUG 25	Back 2 School Bash!
SEP 1	First LIFT Team Meeting
SEP 28	Weekend Serve Day
OCT 18-20	EPIC Fall Weekend Retreat
NOV 3	PJ's & Pancakes Night
NOV 10	Crazy Hair & Cupcakes Night
NOV 17	Board games, Bunco, & Brownies Night
NOV 22-23	REVERB
NOV 29	First Day of Tree Lot!
DEC 15	Ugly Christmas Sweater Party

*CALENDAR UPDATES/DETAILS CAN BE FOUND ON SOCIAL MEDIA/EMAIL
*BIBLE STUDY TAKES PLACE EVERY 2ND AND 3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH DURING THE 9:30 SERVICE
*YOUTH GROUP TAKES PLACE EVERY SUNDAY AFTERNOON/EVENING

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CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES



Natalie Zook
Children's Minister
Childrensministry@FUMC-Clermont.org
352-394-2412 x203

Sundays at 9:30 and 11am
(Birth-Pre-K): Downstairs in the Education Building (9:30/11:00)
(K-5th Grade): Upstairs in the Education Building (9:30)
(K-5th Grade): Downstairs in the Education Building (11:00)

FAMILY WORSHIP 1st Sunday
4-5th Grade attend Contemporary or Traditional Service
childrensministry@FUMC-Clermont.org

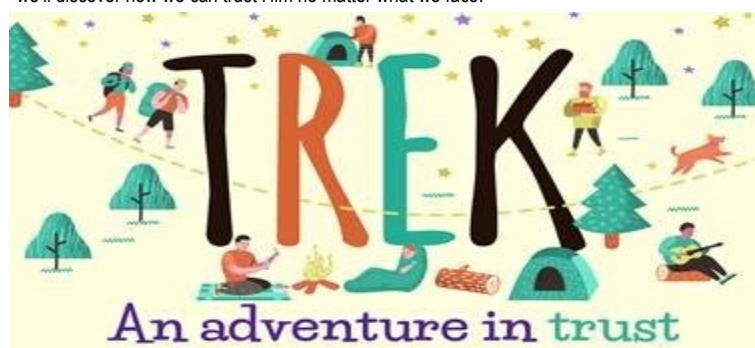
AUGUST DATES TO REMEMBER

September 8—Worship Readiness begins 9:30 & 11am.
September 22—Operation Christmas Child. This year we are trying something new! On Sept. 22 we will be handing out Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes for families to pick up and fill together. Everyone is welcome to participate! A list of recommended items will also be available. We encourage families to pray for the child who will receive their box as they fill it! Boxes will be collected through Sunday, October 13th when we will be praying over the boxes during all services. Don't want to put a box together but still want to be involved? Monetary donations are also welcomed to help cover the cost of shipping. Thanks for helping us to bless kids in need this Christmas!

Preschool theme: When is the last time you took the time to really look at everything God made? Taking a moment to take a walk outside or look up the wonders of the world online will totally change the way you share this month's Bible stories with preschoolers. We need that WONDER dial turned way up! All the way up! And the best way to do that is to experience some of that wonder! When we take the time to look at this amazing world God made, we are filled with awe and wonder. It's that feeling of wonder we want our preschoolers to have as they learn about God's creation. We are going to do a lot of counting together this month—one, two, three, four, five, six, seven—pausing to learn what God made on each day of creation. Through our fun and exciting activities and stories we want our preschoolers to learn God made everything, and IT IS GOOD!



Elementary theme: GOD VIEW: THE CONNECTION BETWEEN TRUST AND GOD'S CHARACTER, AS SHOWN THROUGH GOD'S BIG STORY. Throughout history God has proven His faithfulness to us, especially in keeping His promise to send Jesus to save us. God will continue to be dependable. The Bible is filled with examples of people who knew first-hand what it means to trust God. This month, we focus on two of them: Jacob and Joseph. Through their stories, we'll discover how we can trust Him no matter what we face.



If you're our guest today...

Welcome! We're glad you've come and we hope you will come again.

Our Mission...

We are to go make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the world.

Our Vision...

Encountering Christ, Growing in Christ, Sharing Christ, Wherever we are.

We Believe...

~ There is **one true God** who created the world and all that is in it,

~ **Christ is our Savior** who was crucified and defeated death,

~ **Through Christ** we receive abundant life and forgiveness of sins,

~ The **Holy Spirit** is God with us,

~ God created us to be loved and to enter a life-long **relationship with Him**,

~ The **Church** is the body of Christ and an extension of His life and ministry to the world,

~ The **Bible is God's Word** and the authority for our faith and practice.

Learn more by visiting: FUMC-Clermont.org/AboutUs

COULD WE PRAY FOR YOU? Fill out the prayer request form, contact the church office at 352-394-2412, or email WeCare@FUMC-Clermont.org. To pray for others, visit the Welcome Center for a list.

DO YOU HAVE KIDS? We have a wonderful Children's Ministry "Connecting Kids to Christ" with Nursery for infants through age 2 & Sunday School for pre-K through 5th grade. Questions, contact childrensministry@FUMC-Clermont.org

WANT TO WATCH THE SERMON AGAIN? Go to our website FUMC-Clermont.org and click on the watch a sermon box in the middle section of the home page.

QUESTIONS? Visit FUMC-Clermont.org and go to "Contact Us," to submit request or give us a call at 352-394-2412.

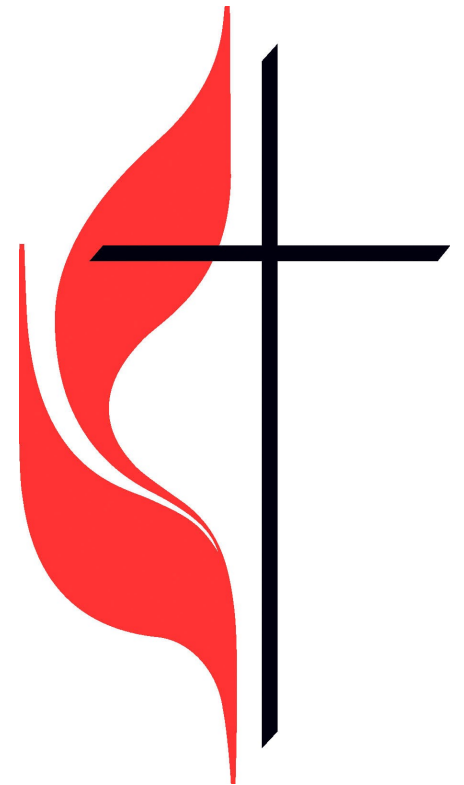
NEED A BIBLE? Visit our Welcome Center to pick up a FREE Bible; located in the entry of both the Sanctuary and the Wesley Center.

TRADITIONAL ALTAR FLOWERS Place flowers on the altar in memory, or in honor of a loved one or friend. The cost is \$35. Call the church office to reserve your date for flowers. The flowers are yours to take home after the 11am service.

MEMORIAL PRAYER GARDEN is a serene resting place for the remains of those who loved the Lord, as well as, a tranquil place for prayer & meditation. If you would like to support the Garden, or for information on how to have remains placed in the garden check our website under the "WeCare" tab.

WELCOME

September 2019



FIRST UNITED
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WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Traditional—8:00 & 11:00am Sunday—Sanctuary
Contemporary—9:30am Sunday—Wesley Center
Awaken Clermont—11:11am Sunday—Wesley Center
Celebrate Recovery—7pm Thursday—Sanctuary
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